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BAPTIST DOORS OPEN

By D. A. McCall, Secretary-Treasurer

Dr. Bassett Is Conference Speaker

Program for Pastors' Meetings
Released

Dr. Wallace Bassett of Dallas, Texas, will be the featured inspirational speaker at the district Centennial Crusade conferences for pastors, beginning March 5 and running through March 9. These conferences for pastors will be held since the great state-wide evangelistic meeting was cancelled due to war conditions. John E. Barnes of Hattiesburg will bring the inspirational message at Wiggins, Wm. Lowrey Compere, Meridian, will speak at Tupelo, and F. M. Powell of Tupelo will be featured at Columbus. Dr. Bassett, pastor of Cliff Temple church, was the first speaker on the

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for program.

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Leads Great Church



DR. WALTER BASSETT

MEANWHILE
By Louie D. Newton
Chairman Centennial Committee

Now that the Centennial Convention has been deferred, due to the request of our government, what are we going to do?

The program, as already arranged for the convention, to have been held May 8-13, will remain in tact, insofar as circumstances permit. Hotel reservations, as confirmed, will also remain in tact for such date as the convention may ultimately be held.

Through the gracious cooperation of the Radio Committee, there will be a special south-wide broadcast, featuring Centennial Sunday, on the Baptist Hour, Sunday, May 6. Every church is requested to observe Sunday, May 6, as Centennial Sunday.

The Centennial motion picture, "The Romance of a Century," which the Sunday School Board is generously producing, and which the Sunday School Board will distribute, will be ready by mid-summer. The picture would have been ready for its premier showing on Tuesday evening.

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PHILIPPINE MISSIONARIES LIBERATED

All seven Southern Baptist missionaries interned by the Japanese in the Philippines have been liberated. Those freed are: Mrs. Rufus F. Gray and her son, of Tampa, Florida; Mr. and Mrs. H. H. Culpepper, Little Rock, Arkansas; Mr. and Mrs. R. A. Dyer, Baton Rouge, Louisiana; Miss Fern Harrington, Atlanta, Missouri, and Miss Cleo Morrison, Bonham, Texas.

—BR—

Dr. Dodd Urges Convention Week Revivals

According to a telegram from Dr. M. E. Dodd, general director, Centennial Evangelistic Crusade, Southern Baptist pastors are urged by the general staff of the Centennial Evangelistic Crusade to give the convention week of May 6-13 to conducting an extension evangelistic meeting.

Most churches pay the pastor's expense to the Southern Baptist Convention. Now that the Convention has been deferred, the committee urges that this expense money be used for the promotion of extension revivals.

The Crusade committee also urges the immediate completion of plans for all year evangelism. The telegram follows:

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In lieu of the Mississippi Baptist Evangelistic Conference, which was to have been held at Clinton, March 5-8, the Centennial Crusade directors and Executive Committee of the Convention Board, in sessions last week, voted the holding of nine district Pastors' Conferences—March 5-9 as follows:

Monday: Wiggins—10:00 a. m., 2:00 p. m.; Laurel 6:00 p. m., 9:30 p. m.

Thursday: Shelby—10:00 a. m., 2:00 p. m.; Sardis—6:00 p. m., 9:30 p. m.

Wednesday: Jackson—10:00 a. m., 2:00 p. m.

Thursday: Shelby—10:00 a. m., 8:00 p. m.; Sardis—6:00 p. m., 9:30 p. m.

Friday: Tupelo—10:00 a. m., 2:00 p. m.; Columbus—6:00 p. m., 9:30 p. m.

The Convention Board is providing the meal at each place with the cooperation of the local church. All of our pastors are urged to attend one of these meetings for information and inspiration concerning Evangelism, Enlistment, Stewardship, Education, Rehabilitation and Benevolences in Centennial Crusade planning. Host pastors are Rev. N. G. Lee, Wiggins; Dr. L. G. Gates, Laurel; Dr. Norman W. Cox, Meridian; Rev. James L. Sullivan, Brookhaven; Dr. W. A. Hewitt, Jackson; Rev. J. J. Burson, Shelby; Rev. J. B. Middleton, Sardis; Dr. Frank Powell, Tupelo, and Dr. J. D. Franks, Columbus.

Because of the series of special offerings in our state, the pastors of the Executive Committee voted to climax the special Centennial Crusade offering in June rather than April, with

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Baptist Hour Speaker



SENATOR WALTER F. GEORGE

Senator George Is Radio Speaker

Honorable Walter F. George, United States senator from Georgia, will be the speaker on the Baptist Hour next Sunday morning, March 4.

Senator George, an honored leader in the United States Senate for twenty years, chairman of the foreign relations committee, a deacon in the First Baptist Church of Vienna, Georgia, has a firm grip on the Christian verities as they apply to world affairs as well as to personal living, and is eminently qualified to speak on the subject, "The Foundations of Freedom."

My Favorite Sermon To Be Published

Beginning soon The Baptist Record will publish a series of sermons entitled "My Favorite Sermon."

All Mississippi Baptist pastors have been asked to submit in brief form their favorite sermon. These sermons by Mississippi pastors for Mississippi people will be both helpful and interesting to Baptist Record readers.

They will present a cross section of the kind of preaching to which Mississippi Baptists listen Sunday after Sunday.

SOCIAL TRENDS PROMOTE JUVENILE DELINQUENCY, DR. COX LISTS THREE SOURCES

Social trends constitute the second great source for corrupting the life of present day childhood. In the overall social-trend picture there is too much freedom for children, and it is given them too early. The average child 5 to 10 years old today enjoys a freedom of personal choice that youth thirty years ago did not have until the period of 12 to 17 years. Boys and girls 10 to 15 are having today the liberty that was reserved thirty years ago until one became 18 to 21. Therefore, childhood and youth are

catapulted into liberty that is not capably or wisely managed.

Participation in adult vices without restraint is another of the harmful social trends. Boys and girls are permitted without rebuke from parents or anyone else in too many instances to participate in indulgences that are destructive to character that were strictly forbidden them by an enlightened social conscience and protest thirty years ago. Today almost nothing is done by society to prevent

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-Sparks & Splinters-

From the minutes of Newton County Association we glean the following figures: church membership 3,600; Sunday school enrollment 2,099; B. T. U. enrollment 462; W. M. U. organizations 23; contributions for local expenses \$38,209.63; for all missions and benevolences \$8,522.24.

Recently in listing the contributions from Baptist churches to the Church Council for Narcotics Education we listed Calvary church, Jackson, with contributions amounting to \$10 when the amount should have been \$50. We sincerely regret the error.

The minutes of Prentiss County Association shows there are 14 churches with a membership of 3,323; contributions to local expenses \$21,651, and gifts for missions and benevolences \$3,522.

Rev. and Mrs. Leon Macon of West Point are rejoicing in the birth of a son, Master Rodney Wayne Macon, born February 10.

On February 18, J. C. Wright resigned as pastor of Mt. Zion church, Pike county, to become fulltime pastor of Natalbany Baptist Church, Natalbany, La.

The Holmes County Association minutes show a membership of 2,423 for the 21 churches; Sunday school enrollment of 1,217; enrolled in Training Union 55; total enrolled in W. M. U. organizations 295; contributions to missions through W. M. U. \$1,206.

The minutes of the Hinds-Warren Association reveal the following facts: total church members, 19,408; baptisms 686; Sunday school enrollment, 9,421; Training Union enrollment 2,511; W. M. U. enrollment 9,421; total contributions for the local work \$266,188; total for missions and benevolences \$103,692. Percy M. Cooper is clerk.

Clarke County Baptist Association of which J. E. Shirley is clerk and treasurer, reports in their minutes the following facts: church membership 2,910; baptisms, 71; total Sunday school enrollment, 1,492; enrolled in Vacation schools, 410; enrolled in Training Unions, 293; W. M. U. organizations, 26; enrolled, 440; contributions to local work, \$30,634; gifts to missions and benevolences \$9,006. What a man earns goes into his pocket; what he spends goes into his character.—Brotherhood Journal.

Rev. W. C. Hamilton recently sent a club of subscriptions from Cross Roads church, Tishomingo county.

Dr. C. L. Niceley, pastor, First Baptist Church, Sturgis, Kentucky, is preaching a series of sermons on Sunday nights beginning March 4 and ending May 6. The subjects are most interesting and no doubt will attract wide attention.

On February 18 Gaston Avenue church, Dallas, celebrated the eighteenth anniversary of their pastor, Dr. W. Marshall Craig. During this time the membership has grown from 1879 to 5,785.

Deer Creek Association: The speaker at our association meeting on February 25 at 2:30 at Hollandale church will be Lawson H. Cooke, Executive Secretary of Baptist Brotherhood and also editor of the Baptist Brotherhood Journal, Memphis. This is an unusual opportunity and the men are urged to attend.—J. R. Eubanks, director, Association Brotherhood.

The January number of the Review and Expositor, a special evangelistic number prepared by members of the faculty of the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary, Louisville, Ky., as a contribution to the Southern Baptist Centennial Crusade, has won wide acclaim as "a manual on evangelism." Fifteen thousand copies were published. The issue was mailed to all Baptist pastors whose addresses were available.

The following officers were elected for the new Intermediate Girls Auxiliary of Agricola church: Nell Pope, president; Melba Wall, vice-president; Etyle Shotts, secretary; Faye Pope, treasurer; Faye Martin and Eloise Pope, program committee, and Mrs. G. L. Taylor, counselor.—G. L. Taylor, pastor.

Moody Boles was ordained to the gospel ministry on the afternoon of February 11 by the Bucatunna Baptist Church of Clarke county. The ordination sermon was preached by Rev. H. V. Sollie; the charge given by Rev. E. F. Grayson and the Bible was presented by the pastor, Rev. W. E. Butler.

We appreciate a word from Mrs. C. E. Owens who is on the EVERY FAMILY list of Dinan church telling how she enjoys The Baptist Record every week.

Bassfield: The Young People's Union of our church is taking the lead in providing wholesome recreation for the young people. Every other week the Baptists sponsor and plan for the recreation and every other week the Methodist Young People's department sponsors it. Last week there were 36 present.—C. S. Miller, Training Union director.

The First Baptist Church of Holly Springs had the grand opening of their library on Wednesday afternoon, February 14. The library committee is composed of Mrs. Iris Seale, chairman; Mrs. Gibson Morgan, treasurer; Mrs. Gordan Sigman, Mrs. Frank Nichols and Mrs. W. R. Sandusky. Rev. Howard Aultman is pastor.

Rev. C. T. Schmitz, pastor, recently sent the EVERY FAMILY list from Rocky Branch church, Calhoun county. This is a new church, just organized last July.

The Baptist Record is grateful to Mrs. J. H. Ware of Tupelo, former missionary to China, who recently sent a club of subscriptions.

The Monticello Baptist Church, D. O. Horne, pastor, recently sent a check in the amount of \$406.80 to the Baptist Hospital Enlargement Campaign, and \$50 to the Blue Mountain Endowment Campaign. The Cooperative Program allocation is 25% of the budget for 1945.

Cascilla church has gone half-time and has called L. O. Dewese as pastor.

Rev. William S. Dixon, Baptist general evangelist, c/o Robert H. Coleman, Dallas 1, Texas, is cooperating in the Centennial Crusade and is available for evangelistic meetings. He is highly recommended by various leaders among Baptists.

Gum Grove church, Lincoln county, reports over 200 enrolled in Sunday school and 125 in Training Union. Z. M. Wells of Wesson preached during the recent revival in which there were eight additions. The church has a six-room parsonage and is planning to build an educational building as soon as materials are available.—A. P. Wells, pastor.

"Broadman Comments" by Dr. W. R. White, former head of the Division of Editorial Service of the Sunday School Board of the S. B. C. is a most helpful commentary on the Sunday school lessons. It includes a digest of scriptures, scripture notes, side-lights, lesson interpretation and a practical application. Dr. John L. Hill well says: "Dr. White brings to his task ripe scholarship, the fruits of wide travel and varied experience, compassionate interest in the welfare of all people, and complete devotion to our Lord and to His cause. We hail with keen satisfaction this first volume in what we feel is the beginning of a long and distinguished series. The price is \$1.50 and the publisher is the Broadman Press. Order from the Baptist Book Store.

A nice list of new and renewal subscriptions from Eden church has been received.

One of The Baptist Record's most faithful friends is Dr. J. W. Lee, pastor at Batesville. He recently sent a list of new and renewal subscriptions containing 42 names.

Monticello: On February 28, Dr. Bryan Simmons brought a message on Christian Education and presented the M. O. Patterson Endowment Campaign. Dr. Patterson served this church as pastor for seven years.

Carmel church, Lawrence county, shared in the Hospital Endowment Campaign with a contribution of \$106, as did Fair River, Lincoln county, in the amount of \$150. All these churches have been on the EFP for years.—D. O. Horne, pastor.

On Sunday evening, February 18, a play entitled "The Foundation of Our Salvation," which was written by the pastor, Rev. M. C. Waldrup, was presented at Liberty church. Miss Ruth Jones represented the Sunday school teacher and soul winner; Miss Eloise Conn, a young and active Christian; Miss Glenara Anderson, a worldly young lady; Glenna Causey, a young girl recently converted, and Mr. F. R. Causey, an old man returning to service for God. There was a large and appreciative congregation present.—Alma J. Causey.

Rev. Lloyd A. Sparkman, pastor of South Side church, Pine Bluff, Arkansas, writes to commend W. J. Morris as an evangelist and a singer. He has resigned his pastorate to devote all his time to evangelistic work. He may be reached at 1415 W. 16th Avenue, Pine Bluff, Arkansas.

Pleasant Home church (Jones), Dee Parker, pastor, is on the Glory Roll of the Blue Mountain College Endowment Campaign.

Vardaman church, J. S. Dorroh, pastor, is on the Glory Roll of the Blue Mountain College Endowment Campaign.

New Montpelier church (Clay), L. W. Estes, pastor, is on the Glory Roll of the Blue Mountain College Endowment Campaign.

Longview church, Oktibbeha county: On the afternoon of Feb. 11 Grover Sanders and Thurston Pellums were ordained as deacons. The ordination sermon was preached by Rev. J. D. Ray and the ordination prayer led by R. C. Carpenter. We had seven additions on February 18. Our church made and offering for Blue Mountain College during February. We have recently completed a Sunday school study course and we are encouraged by the progress of the work here.—C. E. Snowden, pastor.

To get what you want is to succeed; to want what you get is to be happy.—Brotherhood Journal.

The Gulf Coast B. T. U. and Sunday school rally was held in First church, Gulfport, on February 13. Supper was served at 7 p. m. Thirty-nine people representing seven churches were present. Mrs. Eudaly presented to each one a picture of "Dickie," her small son, as a Valentine. A newly organized union from Sharon church was represented by 12 members and their leader, Mrs. Taylor. Mrs. H. T. Brookshire gave the inspirational address.

It is not what you itch for, but what you scratch for that counts.—Brotherhood Journal.

Rev. and Mrs. James A. Smith, of West Corinth church, Corinth, announce the arrival of their daughter, Jeanne Lin, on February 4.

Biloxi: On January 28 a member of our church came to see if I could let her have five copies of the New Testament to present to five Chinese officers who were coming into her home for supper that night. These officers had been entertained in her home on several occasions and now they were ready for shipment into another field of service. I gave her the New Testaments which were presented to them as a farewell token. They were greatly appreciated by the Chinese.—Elizabeth Pickering, hostess, First church.

You cannot pin a green leaf on a telephone pole and tell the world that spring has come.—Brotherhood Journal.

Grouchy boss: "Did anyone call while I was out?" Office boy: "Yes, there was a fellow here who said he wanted to lick you." Grouchy boss: "Well, hurry up, what did you say?" Office boy: "I said I was sorry you weren't in."

Magistrate (discharging prisoner)—"Now, then, I would advise you to keep away from bad company." Prisoner (feelingly)—"Thank you, sir. You won't see me here again."

"I have summoned you here James," said Jimmy's rich old uncle, "because I am going to make my will. I think I will leave you—" he paused. "Yes," prompted Jim eagerly. "Pretty soon."

Irving: "We'd have won that football game if our captain hadn't lost his head." Frances: "Mercy! Was it that bad? I heard it was only an ear."

Judge: "What have you to say for yourself?" Prisoner: "I say: I wish I was in a place where there was no traffic cops." Judge: "Granted, thirty days in jail."

Define "kiss." A kiss is a peculiar proposition—of no use to one, but bliss for two. The small boy gets it for nothing, the young man has to lie for it, the old man has to buy it. To a young girl, it's faith; to a married woman, hope; to an old maid, charity.—Marie Graham, Rt. 2, Tabor City, N. C., in Progressive Farmer.

"So your son got his B. A. and his M. A.?" "Yes, indeed. But his P. A. still supports him."

Rev. R. W. Merrell died recently in Denton, Texas, in his 87th year. He was a graduate of Mississippi College and of the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary and many years ago was pastor of the First church, Grenada.

Rev. George H. Boone, of Coldwater, died January 18. He was a graduate of Southwestern Seminary and served as associational missionary in Texas after his graduation and as pastor of several churches.

Mississippi Baptists---Your Secretary Says: "Love Never Fails," 1. Cor. 13:8b

"When Jesus saw the multitudes, He was moved with compassion on them," Matthew 9:35-36.

"GOD IS LOVE." I John 4:7, 16.

The book of "The Proverbs" in the Bible is a book of wisdom. The Proverbs of Solomon the son of David, king of Israel:

"To know wisdom and instruction; to perceive the words of understanding;

"To receive the instruction of wisdom, justice, and judgment, and equity;

"To give subtilty to the simple, to the young man knowledge and discretion.

"A wise man will hear, and will increase learning; and a man of understanding shall attain unto wise counsels:

"To understand a proverb, and the interpretation; the words of the wise, and their dark sayings.

"The fear of the Lord is the beginning of knowledge: but fools despise wisdom and instruction." Proverbs 1:1-7.

Baptists right now would find it very helpful to study carefully this book. Our Baptist life and our personal lives would profit thereby.

"An ungodly man diggeth up evil: and in his lips there is as a burning fire.

"A froward man soweth strife: and a whisperer separateth chief friends.

"A violent man enticeth his neighbor, and leadeth him into the way that is not good.

"He shutteth his eyes to devise froward things: moving his lips he bringeth evil to pass." Proverbs 16:27-30.

"A word fitly spoken is like apples of gold in pictures of silver." Proverbs 25:11.

"These SIX things doth the Lord hate: yea, seven are an abomination unto Him: A proud look, a lying tongue, and hands that shed innocent blood,

"An heart that deviseth wicked imaginations, feet that be swift in running to mischief.

"A false witness that speaketh lies, and he that soweth discord among brethren." Proverbs 6:16-19.

STRIFE

1. Source of: "Hatred stirreth up strifes: but love covereth all sins." Proverbs 10:12.

"He that is of a proud heart stirreth up strife but he that putteth his trust in the Lord shall be made fat." Proverbs 28:25.

"From whence come wars and fightings among you? Come they not hence, even of your lusts that war in your members?" James 4:1.

2. Name Given: "A fool's lips enter into contention, and his mouth calleth for strokes." Proverbs 18:6.

3. Avoiding Spiritual Divisions: "Now I beseech you, brethren, mark them which cause divisions and offences contrary to the doctrine which ye have learned; and avoid them.

"For they that are such serve not our Lord Jesus Christ, but their own belly; and by good words and fair speeches deceive the hearts of the simple." Romans 16:17-18.

"If it be possible, as much as lieth in you, live peaceably with all men." Romans 12:18.

4. Breeder of Evils: "Let nothing be done through strife or vain glory; but in lowliness of mind let each esteem other better than themselves." Philippians 2:3.

"For where envyings and strife is, there is confusion and every evil work." James 3:16.

"Beloved, when I gave all diligence to write unto you of the common salvation it was needful for me to write unto you, and exhort you that ye should earnestly contend for the faith which was once delivered unto the saints." Jude 3.

"Only let your conversation be as it becometh the gospel of Christ: that whether I come and see you, or else be absent, I may hear of your affairs, that ye stand fast in one spirit, with one mind striving together for the faith of the gospel." Philippians 1:27.

The Bible has a good word for every problem and concerning every occasion if we would but read, hear and understand! Now read James, chapter 3, all of which reminds us of a striking arrangement of national proverbs on the tongue:

The boneless tongue, so small and weak
Can crush and kill, declared the Greek.
The tongue destroys a greater horde,
The Turk asserts, than does the sword.
The Persian proverb wisely saith
'A lengthy tongue, an early death'—
Or sometimes takes this form instead,
'Don't let your tongue cut off your head.'
The tongue can speak a word whose speed,

Say the Chinese, outstrips the steed;
While Arab sages this impart—
'The tongue's great storehouse is the heart.'
From Hebrew wit the maxim sprung,
'Though feet may slip, ne'er let the tongue.'
The sacred writer crowns the whole,
'Who keeps his tongue, doth keep his soul.'

"GOD IS LOVE." I John 4:7, 16

We met with the Philatelic Club, Jackson, giving a travel talk and enjoyed a stamp auction.

There was a fine congregation at Goodwater, Smith county, at a Wednesday evening service. Fifteen lost persons requested prayer.

The Dorcas class, Miss Eunice Sandlin, teacher, Parkway Baptist Church, held one of the finest fellowship suppers we have had the privilege of attending. Large group present. Miss Sandlin is an active church worker, as well as a fine office secretary.

Mt. Moriah, Lincoln county, has just completed a very fine home for the pastor and a truly lovely house of worship. Pastor Lewis Wells and his folks are certainly to be congratulated. The day of dedication was an outstanding

one in the life of the church. This county probably has about as many full-time churches as any in the state. The Wells family is made up of a great group of Christian workers.

It was good to be back at West Laurel. The evening congregation filled the auditorium. What a group group of young people! This church, while looking for a pastor, has received fifteen members in less than two months—eleven of them being for baptism.

Dr. R. C. Campbell brings us another volume of forceful sermons. The volume carries the title "Rocks of the Ages." Dr. Campbell is one of our best leaders. The book may be bought from the Baptist Book Store at \$1.25.

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A number of church leaders have been writing in for facts on the distribution of Cooperative Program funds. We appreciate this expression of interest and are happy to present the schedule of distributions as follows: State causes 60%, Southwide causes 40%. It is our information that this percentage of distribution was held because the great cost of erecting the Baptist Building was placed on State Missions.

Preaching and promotional costs (so-called "overhead") stood at 3% last year. Items in this three percent are: Soul winning, missions, Christian education and benevolences.

The 60% for State causes is distributed as follows: 20% State Missions; 20% Christian Education; 6% Orphanage; 2% Ministerial Education; 9½% Hospital; 2½% Baptist Foundation.

The 40% to Southwide causes is distributed as follows: Foreign Mission Board 50%; Home Mission Board 23 1/3%; Southern Baptist Theological Seminary 4 4/9%; Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary 4 4/9%; Baptist Bible Institute 4 4/9%; American Theological Seminary 2%; Relief and Annuity Board 10 1/3%; W. M. U. Training School 1%.

A true and correct copy of the 1945 State Mission budget is as follows:

1945—STATE MISSION BUDGET

Church Building Evangelism—\$7,500.00; Negro Work—\$4,000.00; Indian Work—\$1,000.00; Evangelism (District Pastors)—\$8,400.00; B. S. U. Work (Campus)—\$5,000.00; B. S. U. Department (six months)—\$2,000.00; B. T. U. Department—\$8,600.00; Sunday School Department—\$10,300.00; Historical Society—\$100.00; Evangelistic Conference—\$1,500.00; Board Employees Retirement Plan—\$2,000.00; Retirement Office Expense—\$2,000.00; Ministers' Retirement Plan—\$11,000.00; Convention Expense—\$250.00; Fixed Expense—\$300.00; Board Meetings—\$1,200.00; State Mission Promotion—\$1,000.00; Tracts and Promotion—\$1,000.00; Stewardship Conferences—\$600.00; Institutional Work—\$2,000.00; Reserve Fund—\$4,400.00; W. M. U. Department—\$13,250.00; Pastoral Evangelism—\$8,000.00; Service Men's Aid—\$7,000.00; Two Evangelists (private funds)—\$6,100.00; Brotherhood—\$7,500.00; Music Department—\$4,000.00; Associational Missionaries—\$10,000.00; Total—\$130,000.00; Baptist Building Cost—\$150,000.00; Total—\$280,000.00.

"TEACHING BOYS OF 14 TO KILL

"It should be the fervent hope of every Alabamian that when this state's legislature meets there will be offered no bill similar to that given Wednesday to Kansas' law-making body.

"The Kansas bill would make 30 months of peacetime military training compulsory for all boys over 14. Such a program might benefit the boys physically, but that's about all to be said in behalf of it.

"Military training is essentially a function of the federal government and if there is to be any peacetime compulsory feature to it, Congress should have the say-so. But the biggest objection to the Kansas bill is to be found in the age provision. If there is to be any compulsory military training in peacetime, it should not become until a boy at least is approaching maturity. Fourteen is entirely too young, and boys of that age should be not Hitlerized."

We see some of the values in compulsory military training, but along with the Florida editor, we feel it silly to begin with boys at the age of 14. At the same time, we feel any such military training should be done in connection with the regular courses in education. We would be violently opposed to taking young chaps to camps. Germany militarized her youth. Why follow that sort of pattern? Men still haven't sense enough to know Jesus spoke the truth when He said, "They that take the sword shall perish with the sword." Matthew 26:52. It is not steel that will bring peace, prosperity and happiness to the people of the world, but the life of the Son of God. If our mothers and fathers do not remain alert in this matter, many "fool pieces of legislation" may be enacted.

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Mississippi Baptists and their friends will read with interest the information in this issue regarding Mississippi College aims and objectives. Many of us think of this great college as the "dean" of all our Mississippi Baptist institutions, and we would bespeak for it generous support in students, prayers and finances.

TWENTY WILL GRADUATE AT MISSISSIPPI COLLEGE

Twenty Mississippi College seniors are completing their work this term which ends Feb. 27. These mid-session graduates will receive their diplomas in June with the graduates of the regular 1944-45 session. A number of new students are expected to enter March first for the spring term. Those completing their work this term are:

Mary Pauline Armstrong, Georgetown; Jenelle Burson, Calhoun City; John

Dewey Bennett, Waycross, Ga.; Versie Ray Crider, Paynes; Katherine Crigler, Macon; David Earl George, Anding; Laurie Edward Green, Memphis, Tenn.; Paul Burnell Hawkins, Jackson; Frances Rosalie Hayden, Vaughn; Bertha Jean Horn, Magee; Curtis Eugene James, Puckett; Willie Mae Kurz, St. Louis, Mo.; Guy Artice Little, Pinola; Sue Barton McWilliams, Hattiesburg; Mable Williams Martin, Vicksburg; Charles Kenneth Pepper, Louisville, Ky.; Billie Sanders, Sallis; Cassie Sanders, Sallis; Alberta Lillian Sparks, Clinton; Helen Avonne Walsh, Brookhaven.

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WORTHY AND CHALLENGING GOALS FOR MISSISSIPPI BAPTISTS

1. Every Mississippi Baptist Church contributing through the Cooperative Program.
2. A summer assembly.
3. A full-time worker with the Negroes.
4. Two rural evangelists instead of one.
5. A full-time Indian worker.
6. A Baptist Building in Jackson.
7. Associational missionaries.
8. Enlarged soldier work.
9. The Baptist Record in every home.
10. A Sunday school, a Training Union, a Woman's Missionary Union and a Brotherhood in every church.

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PAPER RATIONING IS HERE

Regretfully we must inform our readers that paper rationing now applies to The Baptist Record.

Our readers will recall that last March we appealed to the WPB to classify us as a religious newspaper instead of a magazine. This was done.

Our plea at that time was upon a basis of fair-play. We simply asked the WPB to treat us as they treated others of our class.

In December new regulations were made limiting The Baptist Record and similar papers to our average consumption for the first three quarters of 1944. This applies to all papers of The Baptist Record class. We are being treated like others and therefore we cannot object.

BUT our circulation has grown from 37,677 on January first, 1944, to 49,140 on February 28, 1945, we will be compelled to reduce our consumption of paper in order to take care of the 11,463 increase in circulation.

We can cut our paper consumption in three ways:

1. Freeze our circulation at the

present figure of 49,140 weekly and accept no new subscriptions.

2. Omit two issues each quarter.

3. Have three or four eight-page (instead of the usual 16) issues per quarter and thus take care of the enlarged circulation and permit us to accept new subscriptions up to about 50,000 weekly.

It is our opinion that number three will cause less dissatisfaction than either one or two. But if there are those who think otherwise we will be glad for them to express their opinions. No one man or set of men has a corner on wisdom.

If occasionally we issue eight page editions our readers will understand.

—BR—

HELP MISSISSIPPI COLLEGE NOW

Through the difficult war period Mississippi College has carried on in a marvelous manner. With the aid of the Naval Training Unit the enrollment has been almost to capacity.

The college is served by a loyal, competent, highly trained and thoroughly consecrated faculty of high type, scholarly, Christian men and women. Although running on a twelve month basis, the faculty members have carried on without complaint. In spite of war-time conditions and difficulties unexcelled academic standards have been maintained.

Mississippians do not need to be told that a definite, positive Christian atmosphere prevails at all times throughout the campus. One Baptist leader, who has known many Baptist colleges, recently said that the spiritual atmosphere at Mississippi College was the best he had seen anywhere.

Our Mississippi College now has a good physical plant, but it needs improvement and expansion. This is 1945 and not 1905.

On another page will be found some facts concerning the expansion program. Read it with pride. But readers only will not make the program a reality. We should be doers as well as readers.

Mississippi Baptists should support the Mississippi College expansion program as well as the Blue Mountain endowment campaign. Both deserve our wholehearted support. We hope that when these lines are read Blue Mountain will be over the top. With the thrill of that victory, let us go on to another. All Mississippi Baptists should respond liberally to the appeal of Mississippi College.

—BR—

A QUESTION ANSWERED

"Dear Brother Goodrich:

"I never went to college and my children did not go. Why should I be expected to contribute to the Blue Mountain and Mississippi College campaigns?"

Selected Editorial

Each week we will publish what we consider one of the best editorials coming to our attention.—Editor.

MR. STETTINIUS DOESN'T KNOW THE BAPTISTS

Unfortunately, Secretary Stettinius

While it is true that many, yea, the majority of our people do not go to any college, yet every community is blessed by the graduates of Blue Mountain College and Mississippi College.

This writer, during the past ten years, has had the privilege of going into almost every community of the state—to some sections many times. And in every one there are one or more former students of these Baptist institutions. And the Christian training they received is helping to make better churches, better schools, better homes and better communities. So when we give to their support we are helping ourselves.

—BR—

CONGRATULATIONS

Mississippi Baptists and the Baptist Hospital are to be congratulated on the Baptist Hospital enlargement campaign. As far as we know, never before did Mississippi Baptists raise so much money in so short a time. Congratulations to all.

1. To Secretary McCall who took on the added duties of general director. Though tired from leading the Convention Board out of debt and the numerous duties of a state secretary, he put all his usual wisdom and enthusiasm into the campaign.

2. To Mrs. Karenza Gilfoy, beloved Baptist Hospital superintendent, who has conducted the hospital in such a superb manner that Mississippi Baptists just couldn't let her down.

3. To the Board of Trustees, who cheerfully accepted the will of the Convention majority (although at the time it looked like defeat) and said "Your plan is NOW our plan."

4. To Chairman of the Board of Trustees D. C. Simmons, who literally gave his all during the days of the campaign.

5. To the Jackson chairman, Honorable E. D. Kenna and his helpers for a super-excellent job in the Jackson area. The remainder of Mississippi just had to keep up the pace set by Chairman Kenna and Jackson.

6. To the district chairmen and faithful pastors throughout the state.

7. And to every worker in Jackson and elsewhere who kept the wheels rolling.

Mississippi Baptists have shown that they can and will respond to a worthy cause when well presented.

seems not to know Southern Baptists, or he does not know them if he supposed that his letter recently to the first vice president of their convention ended the matter of Southern Baptist interest in the subject of American official representation at the Vatican. Mr. Stettinius wrote to Rev. Dr. Louie D. Newton of Atlanta that the clergyman's repeated inquiries to the state department on that subject were "not in good faith." How Mr. Stettinius leaped to this, as we see it, unjust conclusion and how he happened to be so tactless as to put it in writing, we don't understand. In any case, however, he put no quietus on the Baptists. He did quite the contrary, of course.

The executive committee of the Southern Baptist Convention has just adopted a resolution petitioning Chairman Connally of the Senate Foreign Relations Committee to order an immediate investigation of United States relations with the Vatican, including inquiry into why Dr. Newton has been "consistently evaded by various spokesmen of the state department" since 1939. The date given precedes Mr. Stettinius' time in the department and indicates that the brushoff he himself gave Dr. Newton was probably given on the advice of functionaries. However that may be, Senator Connally will know better than to wave the petition haughtily aside. His state teems with Baptists.

And the Baptist worry about Myron C. Taylor's role at the Vatican is not exclusive to that denomination. The Federal Council of Churches of Christ in America, including 26 of the largest Protestant denominations, expressed concern about the matter last fall and adopted a statement opposing establishment of diplomatic relations with the Vatican. The reasons given were sound and were those to which Baptists subscribe, that such action would "confer upon one church a special preferential status in relation to the American government" and would be "contrary to the spirit of our American tradition." The tradition mainly referred to is, of course, separation of church and state, and the Baptists have been perhaps the most conspicuous among church people in sensitivity to the issue whenever raised.

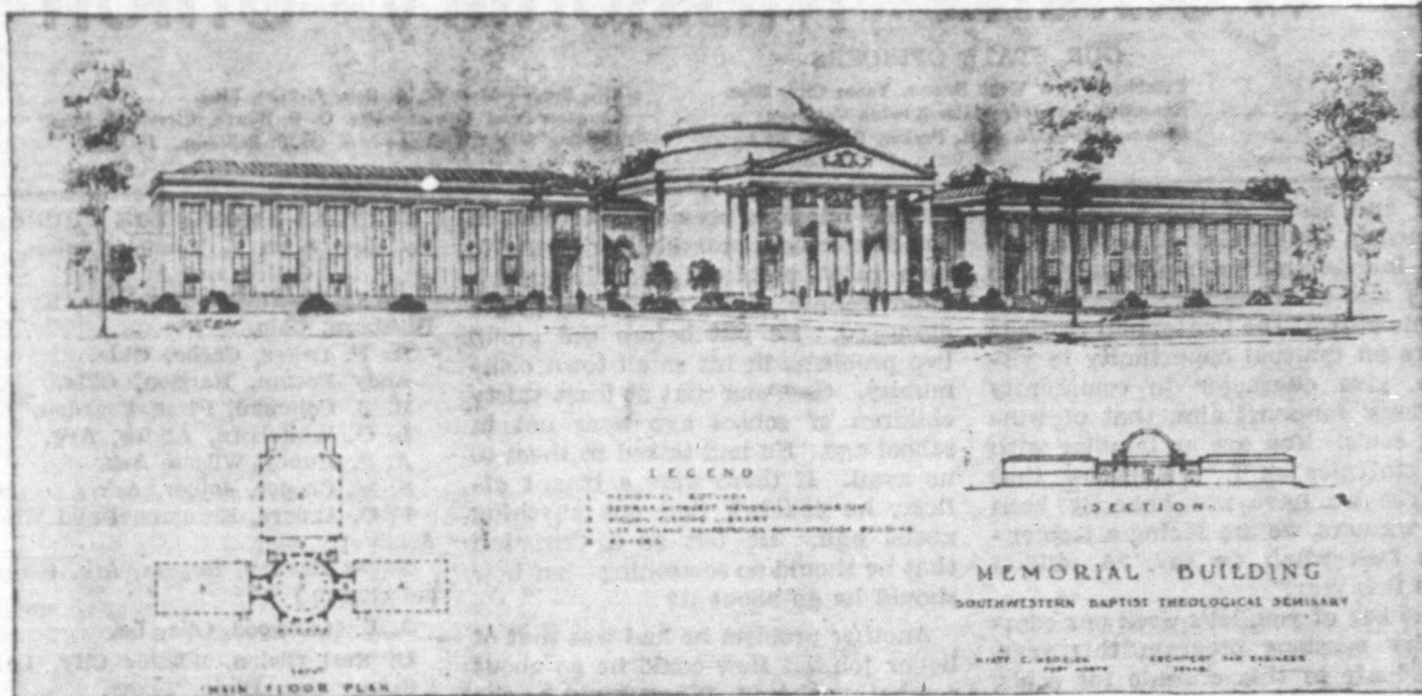
Sometimes some of them have imagined the issue where it doesn't exist, as, for instance, in the transportation of Catholic school children in public school buses in this country. Nevertheless, vigilance is on the whole healthful, for the principle of separation of church and state is an American fundamental. We do not think the principle is violated by Mr. Taylor going to the Vatican as the President's personal representative. In times like these practical and useful diplomatic ends can be served, without committing our government to any preference or attachment to the Catholic church above others.

Nevertheless, if the Baptists are watchful, it is in their nature and it is not bad faith. There are bigoted people among them, just as there are in any church and outside of any church, but the demand of the Southern Baptist Convention's executive committee cannot be put down to bigotry.—Courier-Journal.

—BR—

Church Treasurer W. R. Brumfield has sent a new and renewal list of 25 from Knoxo church in Walthall county.

The Memorial Building on Seminary Hill



Fort Worth, Texas

Baptists throughout the South will hail with joy the announcement that the names of Drs. L. R. Scarborough and George W. Truett, and that of William Fleming will be linked together in a Christ-honoring memorial. They have walked and worked together in beautiful bonds of Christian brotherhood and sacrificial service.

The full story of all that these three great Texans have contributed to the Southwestern Baptist Seminary would read like the "history of a fragrance." William Fleming has given more cash

money to the institution than any other person living or dead. Dr. L. R. Scarborough has given more in "blood and sweat and tears" than any half-dozen of this generation. Dr. Truett, through words of praise, spoken and written, through personal gifts of time, money and talents, and by enlisting the sympathetic support of myriads of others has given the Southwestern Seminary a world-girdling reach and sweep.

There is something rich and romantic in the suggestion of a rotunda of world-famed Baptists. The possibilities of such a project are thrilling be-

yond words to express. Let us hope that the Baptists of Great Britain will furnish us a bronze or marble bust or statue of the immortal Bunyan and Spurgeon, and that other nations will likewise perpetuate the mory of their Baptist heroes. Some individual Baptist, or group, should by all means, furnish the bust or statue of Dr. B. H. Carroll.

We unhesitatingly urge the friends of ministerial education to take advantage of this opportunity to make an investment that will be declaring dividends for the glory of the Lord until He comes.

DR. WALLACE BASSETT IS CONFERENCE SPEAKER

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Southern Baptist Radio series in 1945, and was heard with great appreciation by multitudes of Mississippians on the Baptist Hour. He is considered an outstanding minister. Pastors Barnes, Powell and Compere are well known in the state, and their messages will add to the success of the conferences.

The program follows:

Centennial Crusade Plans—March 5-9
Morning conferences at Wiggins, March 5; Meridian, March 6; Jackson, March 7; Shelby, March 8, and Tupelo, March 9, A.M.

10:00—Song and Prayer.

10:10—Announcements.

10:15—"The Two Witnesses Going Before"—Soul Winning and Benevolence.

10:50—"The Two Witnesses Following After"—Enlistment and Education.

11:25—"The Two Burden Bearers"—Stewardship and Rehabilitation.

11:50—Song and Prayer.

12:00—Adjourn.

12:15—Noon meal—fellowship.

Round table discussion.

Inspirational Speaker.

2:00—Adjourn.

Evening sessions at Laurel, March 5; Brookhaven, March 6; Sardis, March 8, and Columbus, March 9, P.M.

5:30—Fellowship.

6:00—Supper.

6:45—Song and Prayer.

6:55—Announcements.

7:00—"The Two Witnesses That Go Before"—Soul Winning and Benevolences.

7:35—"The Two Witnesses That Follow"—Enlistment and Education.

8:10—"The Two Burden Bearers"—Stewardship and Rehabilitation.

8:45—Song and Prayer.

8:50—Inspirational Message.

9:30—Adjournment.

MEANWHILE

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May 8, had the convention been held on schedule.

The Committee on the Centennial Evangelistic Crusade, Dr. M. E. Dodd, director, will go right on with its inclusive and inspiring program. Many pastors will conduct special evangelistic meetings during the period of May 8-13, thus capitalizing the open date on their schedule reserved for the convention.

The Executive Committee will prepare the Convention Annual, containing reports and other data, and distribute same as heretofore.

The Committee on Cooperation and Enlistment, Dr. J. E. Dillard, secretary, will see in every possible way to cooperate with all southwide and state agencies in promoting the work of the convention, including the six goals of the Centennial Year—Evangelism, Enlistment, Education, Rehabilitation, Stewardship and Benevolence.

And with one accord, Southern Baptists will pray—pray for a revival, pray for lost souls, pray for the men and women in the armed forces, pray for our Allies, pray for our enemies, pray for a just and enduring peace.

DR. DODD URGES CONVENTION WEEK REVIVALS

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TENNIAL EVANGELISTIC CRUSADE REQUESTS PASTORS GIVE THE CONVENTION WEEK MAY 6-13 AND CONVENTION EXPENSE-TO CONDUCTING AN EXTENSION EVANGELISTIC MEETING. WE FURTHER URGE IMMEDIATE COMPLETION PLANS FOR ALL YEAR EVANGELISM. TOO LATE AND TOO LITTLE IS TRAGIC. PASTORAL, PERSONAL AND PERENNIAL EVANGELISM ARE IMPERATIVE TO SUCCESS.

M. E. DODD,
GENERAL DIRECTOR,

MISS SHELLIE KENT ALLEN

Miss Shellie Kent Allen, daughter of Mollie Granberry and Charles I. Allen, prominent Copiah county families, was born near Hazlehurst in 1880. She died February 1 in a Natchez hospital, having suffered a complete stroke while at her duties as principal of the Kingston school, near Natchez.

After graduating from Judson College, Marion, Alabama, in 1901 she taught for twenty years in the schools of the state, then until last year, she lived at the family home in Hazlehurst.

She was a faithful, devoted member of the Baptist church, having been a worker in the Primary Department of the Sunday school for many years. She was mission study leader in Copiah W. M. U. for several years, also.

Surviving are two sisters, Mrs. Hattie Douglass of Hazlehurst and Glendora; Mrs. Sarah Burns of Sharon; one brother, Charles I. Allen of Hazlehurst; several nieces and nephews and other relatives.

Appropriately, services were held from the home of her brother with her pastor, Rev. James H. Street and Rev. C. W. Wesley, Methodist pastor, officiating. Interment was in the Hazlehurst cemetery.

—BR—

They were the children and youth of World War I. Fat were the years in the matter of material wealth and richness of income during their childhood and youth. Among them are some of the finest men and women any nation has ever produced. We are not forgetting even today, in spite of all our juvenile delinquency, we are still rearing some of the finest boys and girls to be great men and women. We are simply observing the fact that the percentage of those who become delinquent is frightfully growing.

Careful study of what happened to childhood and youth on account of increased wealth, leisure, and freedom, because of the war and the rich years that followed indicates that juvenile delinquency increased proportionately as did income, etc. The psychiatrists, psychologists, socialologists, and criminologists today know that we have a large number of men, ages 20 to 30, who are incompetent of being soldiers either because of mental, social, moral, or physical handicaps, that are a consequence of their being children of parents who were crippled either as children or youth by too much money or money improperly used during the days of World War I, and the years that followed.

Contrast with the above the youth of our depression days. We refer to those whose ages in 1929 were from 5 to 15. Today their ages are 20 to 30. They are the bulk of our armies and navies. Those who came out of the right kind of homes and churches are the cleanest, finest, best generation that America ever produced. They learned from the discipline of want; they profited by privation. They were toughened by economic scarcity. Their parents did not have the money, neither did they, to hasten them into things that soften and corrupt.

The third picture is the children and youth of 5 to 18 years of age today. They have money in abundance. Their parents are foolishly squandering cash on them. There are 15-year-old boys and girls today who are making more money than their fathers and mothers made in 1930 to 1939. These boys and girls are making more money today than they themselves will be able to make fifteen years from now. The Bible is right when it says that the love of money is the root of all kinds of evil. Easy money easily corrupts childhood and youth.

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SOCIAL TRENDS

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the fatal plunge into delinquency by youth until boys and girls have become an active menace to the security of others through their lawbreaking.

The pressure of group behavior is a powerful social force that is pushing many boys and girls into the way that leads to destruction. A few months ago, I asked a fine boy out of a good home, who had got into trouble how he happened to do the thing that he had done. His answer revealed the pressure of a group with which he ran, that coerced him into the serious mistake he had made.

Society has allowed people to make money out of organizations that they have created to satisfy the social, fraternal, and recreational impulses of children and young people of many of our best homes. They have completely captivated the loyalty of their juvenile membership. In many instances, parents have to carry on a positive war with their children to hold them on the right level and along the right line. Always there are some bad ones mixed up in these groups. In many other instances, the parents encourage their children to go into these organizations for the social recognition and privileges that they believe their children will enjoy. Such parents, in all too many instances, are allowing their children to walk through a jungle where tigers and leopards lurk in trees so they can travel along with the children of other families on the trail that leads to larger social opportunities.

The third basic source of juvenile delinquency is economic status. Here we have three pictures:

The children of World War I, ages 1 to 12, in 1916, are today men and women 29 to 41 years of age. The youth of World War I, ages 13 to 19, are today men and women 41 to 47.

Mississippi Woman's Missionary Union

OUR STATE OFFICERS

Recording Secretary—Mrs. D. C. Simmons, Jackson, Miss.
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In the centennial goals adopted by Woman's Missionary Union the first is "Concert of prayer and constant zeal for the conversion of the lost." This goal sets forth the ultimate aim of community missions; therefore it offers great challenge to our community missions leaders.

In what better way can we have a concert of prayer than through the organization of cottage prayer meetings and intercessory prayer leagues in your Woman's Missionary Union? It is through prayer that we receive the Holy Spirit and it is only through the power of the Holy Spirit that we can reach the lost, thus fulfilling Christ's command to give the gospel to the whole world. "More things are wrought through prayer than this world dreams of." May I suggest that you read Miss Mary Christian's article on page six of the March issue of Royal Service.

The Intercessory Prayer League presents opportunities never before used that I feel sure will be quite revealing to all. The purpose of this league is to harness for the cause of missions the prayer power of women unable to attend the regular meetings of the missionary society and to give these women a consciousness of being intimately connected with the mission cause through their interest, prayers and gifts. The methods for the organization of this league may be found in the pamphlet, "Intercessory Prayer League." This pamphlet can be ordered from Woman's Missionary Union, Box 530, Jackson 105, Miss.

Mrs. Lavon Boyles.

Report on Community Missions

This, my last report to you on community missions, is really not a report. It is simply my final attempt to call again to our attention this important phase of our work—community missions.

They say that the difference between our prejudices and convictions is that we can discuss our convictions without getting mad. I have a conviction. It has been strengthened in these years I've served as your community missions chairman. That conviction is that the program of community missions as discussed and presented from all standpoints in the Guide, making Christianity relate to all of life in one's community is a program, first, that is yet to be tried by our constituency (even by the leaders); second, that it is a program that will meet the needs when it is tried; third, that it is going to take a sympathetic understanding of social problems and a knowledge of methods to know how to work with and utilize social agencies to best advantage in meeting the problems in a Christian way.

Let me discuss these a bit. First, I believe that community missions in the fullest sense is yet to be tried by our constituency. I base my belief on our reports, on the questions asked in every meeting, on our lack of knowledge and sometimes lack of concern about lost people and no-Christian conditions in our communities, on the lack of understanding of the real pur-

pose and scope of the work as explained in the Guide. I base it on my own inertia as I've honestly tried to study and understand.

This year of the Centennial Crusade offers an unusual opportunity to vitalize, give character to community missions' foremost aim, that of winning souls. You are as familiar with the statistics as I. You know that because we have not honestly been soul winners, we are facing a tremendous task when we say, "A million souls this year."

I do beg of you, let's work our community missions program this year, participate in this crusade for souls, which is no new idea or goal to us but a new emphasis on that first one in our community missions program. To do this, we must (1) cooperate in our church surveys or lead out in them if necessary and find conditions about us; (2) plan a program of visitation and of cottage prayer meetings in homes of unsaved; (3) participate in the study of soul-winning books that the plan of salvation may be stamped anew in our hearts.

Second, I believe that community missions will meet the need when tried. I say this because I believe in Christ and His power to transform lives and conditions of life. Community missions is presenting Christ. I have come in contact (and I know you have too) with enough individuals and scattered groups trying it, to make me say again I am convinced it will meet the need. Let me introduce you to a few I've met who have tried it. Here is a W. M. S. member, a wife who recently led her husband to Christ, and gradually after patient work led him not only into regular Sunday morning church attendance but also into Sunday school attendance and Sunday night church attendance. She heard later of his refusal to sign the ration card to get liquor, of his refusal on business trips to participate in betting games, and recently of his declaration of wanting to go all out on the Lord's side and sign the tithers card. Winning souls and growth in Christian character—that's community missions.

Here is a teacher who discovered two pupils who were not Christians. She talked with them—out of school hours of course—and led them to Christ.

A young matron got the Jewish people in her community on her heart and knew she should make friends with them and begin to break down prejudice. She began it. She studied them, their history, their likes and dislikes, and tactfully, prayerfully went about manifesting Christian fellowship. It worked. Those who heard her speak in her home town recently know her work there today and know she is making Christ real in community mission work.

Third, I believe it takes a sympathetic understanding of social problems, a cooperative spirit and effort on the part of the community missions chairmen in societies to help meet community problems in a Christian way.

A pastor in a conference on com-

munity missions became interested in the discussion as methods of trying to help meet problems of delinquency, child welfare, liquor traffic, etc., were discussed. He put before the group two problems in his small town community. One was that at least thirty children of school age were not in school age. He had talked to them to no avail. If there were a truant officer, he couldn't find out anything about him. He felt as a Christian that he should do something—but how should he go about it?

Another problem he had was that of liquor joints. How could he go about combating these? What would be the procedure to follow and how could he begin a wholesome program to utilize the time formerly spent in these places? He needed an expert's advice. And none was there.

One W. M. S. community missions chairman had made headway along this line. She brought clippings from her town paper telling of three murders committed within four months by three local boys not over fifteen years of age. A road-house on the edge of town was the scene of two of these crimes. She was leading the women out in signing a petition to close this road-house. A clipping quoting the judge as saying that when Christian citizens demanded such places be closed, he closed them, encouraged her to press on. Three Christian men of the town were opening a recreation center and the W. M. S. women were going to ask for the privilege of being there as hostesses over week-ends especially.

Finally, I repeat, community missions is the impact of Christian ideals directed toward non-Christian influences; it is the life and work of Christian women and young people in their community to magnify Christ who will draw people unto Him. Let's engage in it more fully this year.

I bespeak for my successor your full cooperation, prayers and help.

Respectfully submitted,

MARY CHRISTIAN,

Southwide Chairman.

(Mrs. Edgard Godbold of Louisiana is the newly appointed community missions chairman.)

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BLUE MOUNTAIN COLLEGE Y. W. A. GIVES \$497 TO LOTTIE MOON

Miss Floriene Williams, Prentiss, president of the Y. W. A. of Blue Mountain College, states that the college Y. W. A's Lottie Moon Christmas offering for foreign missions amounted to \$497.72, and that the offering for Mo Kwong Blind Girls School in Canton, China, was \$91.00.

Newly elected council members are Eugenia Gates, Crenshaw, pastor chairman, and Betty Hubbard, Meridian, chorister.

Circle leaders for the second semester are as follows: Barbara Loden, New Albany; Louise Wiggs, Chalybeate; Lila Louise Dale, Old Hickory, Tenn.; Ruby Lee Walters, Laurel; Jewell Breazelle, Ethel; Corinne Griffin, Laurel; Velma Griffin, Pontotoc, and Ardelle Bryan, Eads, Tennessee.

CHANGES AMONG THE CHURCHES

By Rev. Leon V. Young, Clinton, Miss.
Called and Accepted

Archie P. Allison, Erlington, Ky., from Hillsboro, Ohio.

R. F. Baker, Cache, Okla.

Andy Borum, Hannon, Okla.

H. S. Coleman, First, Bearden, Ark.

L. G. Whitehorn, Atkins, Ark.

A. F. Muncy, Wilson, Ark.

S. M. Cooper, Joiner, Ark.

F. O. Anders, Emmanuel and Whitten, Ark.

Edgar Harvey, Rogers, Ark. (Emmanuel church.)

A. L. Gatewood, Olla, La.

G. Earl Gwinn, Bossier City, La.

Sidney Cox, Elgin, Texas.

T. M. Harrell, Hawley, Tex.

Douglass Cravens, Roby, Tex.

H. E. Gregory, Flory, Texas.

J. B. Perry, Jasper, Texas.

W. D. Sherman, First, Teneha, Texas.

Ernest Carr, Spurger, Texas.

B. L. Carter, Fieldton, Texas.

R. F. Cravens, Toyah, Texas.

W. F. Goodman, Leslie church, Lakeview, Texas.

James E. Edwards, Lynden, Ala.

J. I. Cossey, Central Jonesboro, Ark.

Walter Warmath, Jackson, Tenn.

T. W. Wilson, Ashburn, Ga., from Dothan, Ala.

D. C. Russell, missionary, Telfair and Dodge Associations, Ga.

W. T. Phillips, Jr., Cross Roads, Ga.

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MRS. HENRY MURPHEY

On December 31, 1944, the angel of death whispered, "It is finished," and the sweet spirit of our friend, Mrs. Henry Murphey wafted its way to heaven above to live with her Saviour whom she loved. Mrs. Murphey was a loyal member of the Flora Baptist Church and Woman's Missionary Society, deeply interested in every phase of the work. She had been our inspiring "mother" for many years. A wonderful friend, devoted wife and mother. Her husband preceded her a number of years ago—but with unwavering faith and fortitude she had "carried on." Her three daughters have been untiring in their ministry of love and devotion to her every need. Though an invalid for many years, enduring much suffering, she radiated sunshine, and—"that peace that passeth all understanding." Often when visiting her you'd feel as though you were on higher, holier grounds. A saintly woman. "None knew her but to love her; none named her but in praise."

Therefore be it resolved that we, the members of the W. M. U. of the Flora Baptist Church do feel a sincere sorrow and loss in the going of our dear "Mother Murphey." Even though we know our loss is her gain.

Resolved that we as W. M. U. members extend to her loved ones heartfelt sympathy and appreciation of her pure consecrated life, and beg you grieve not at her going for we know she is free from all pain and "safe in the arms of Jesus."

Resolved that a copy of these resolutions be sent the family, a copy sent The Baptist Record and a copy spread on the minutes of the W. M. U. of Flora Baptist Church.

Respectfully submitted,

Mrs. P. E. Haley,
Committee.

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Mrs. W. L. Culpepper, treasurer of Liberty church, Lauderdale Association, recently sent a nice list of renewal subscriptions.

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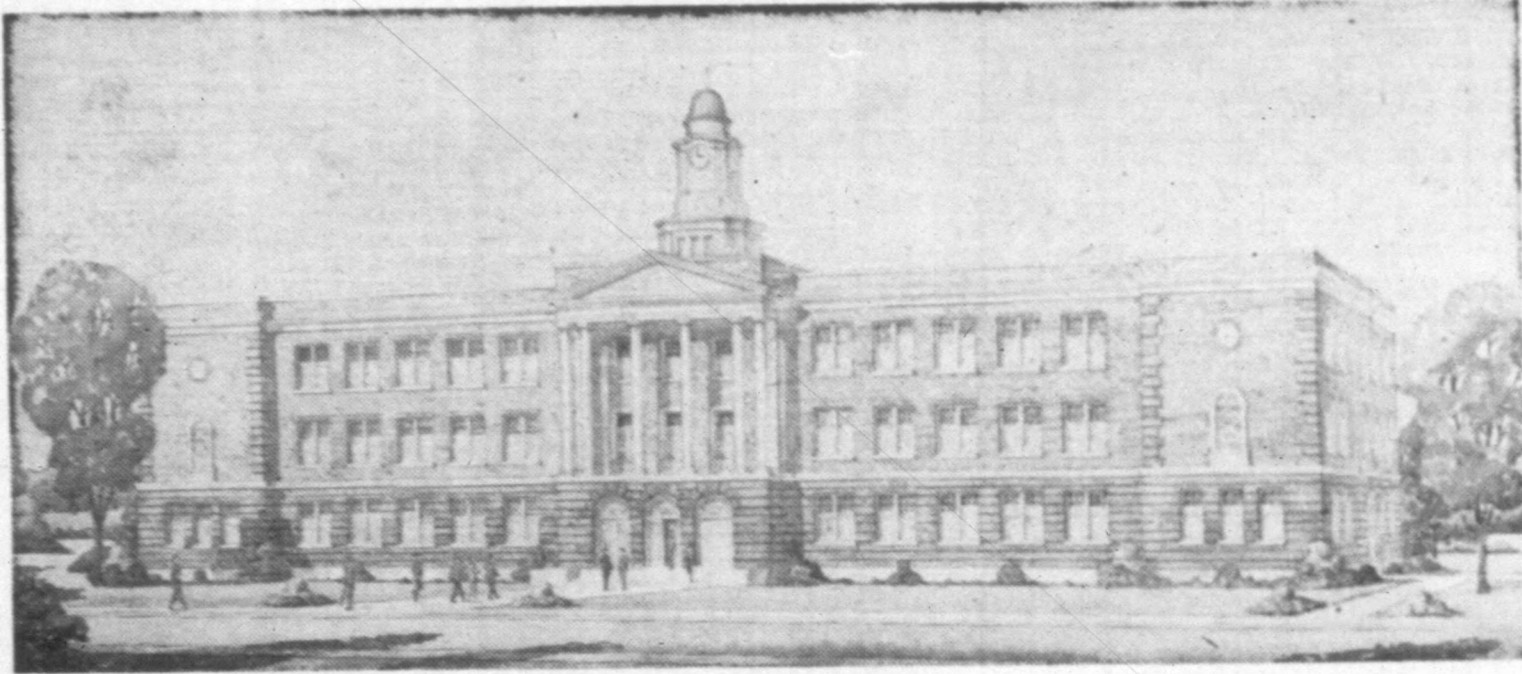
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DATE WITH DESTINY, Ralph W. Sockman	1.50	.90	
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LET'S THINK ABOUT OUR RELIGION, Frank and Mildred Eakin	2.00	1.00	
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Enlargement Program



PROPOSED ADMINISTRATION BUILDING

One of the greatest needs at Mississippi College is an Administration Building. The Administrative Offices are now crowded into the Science Building and are occupying space badly needed for the over-crowded Science Departments. An Administration Building would provide much needed class rooms, faculty and student offices, a safe place to keep valuable papers and records assembly hall, and other uses. It is estimated that this building would cost \$150,000.00.

The Program Includes Follow

1. Administration Building
2. Modern Dorms for Women
3. Endowment Department
4. Enlargement of Student Body
5. Expansion of Library

TRAINING FOLE

The influence of Mississippi College as a national world, but its usefulness could be largely increased by doing more. The curriculum of Mississippi College will be revised to meet the needs of the world. Christian principles. In order to enlarge its usefulness to the world, further work is offered next session toward training for both Church Administration, and as Church Secretaries and Ministers.

The object of the Mississippi College Enlargement Program is to provide training for service to the denomination and the Church. We have a part in this great program, and help funds are requested.



DR. M. O. PATTERSON

MISSISSIPPI COLLEGE needs Endowed Departments, honoring the names and memory of great teachers. A \$100,000.00 fund honoring Dr. M. O. Patterson and endowing the chair of Bible and Evangelism has already gotten off to a good start.

The Provine Chair of Chemistry, the Aven-Latimer Chair of Ancient Languages, the Sharp Chair of Mathematics, the Eager Chair of English, and other Chairs honoring Dr. Lowrey and Dr. Webb might be mentioned. Mississippi College needs an endowment of at least a Million Dollars.

**The \$400,000.00
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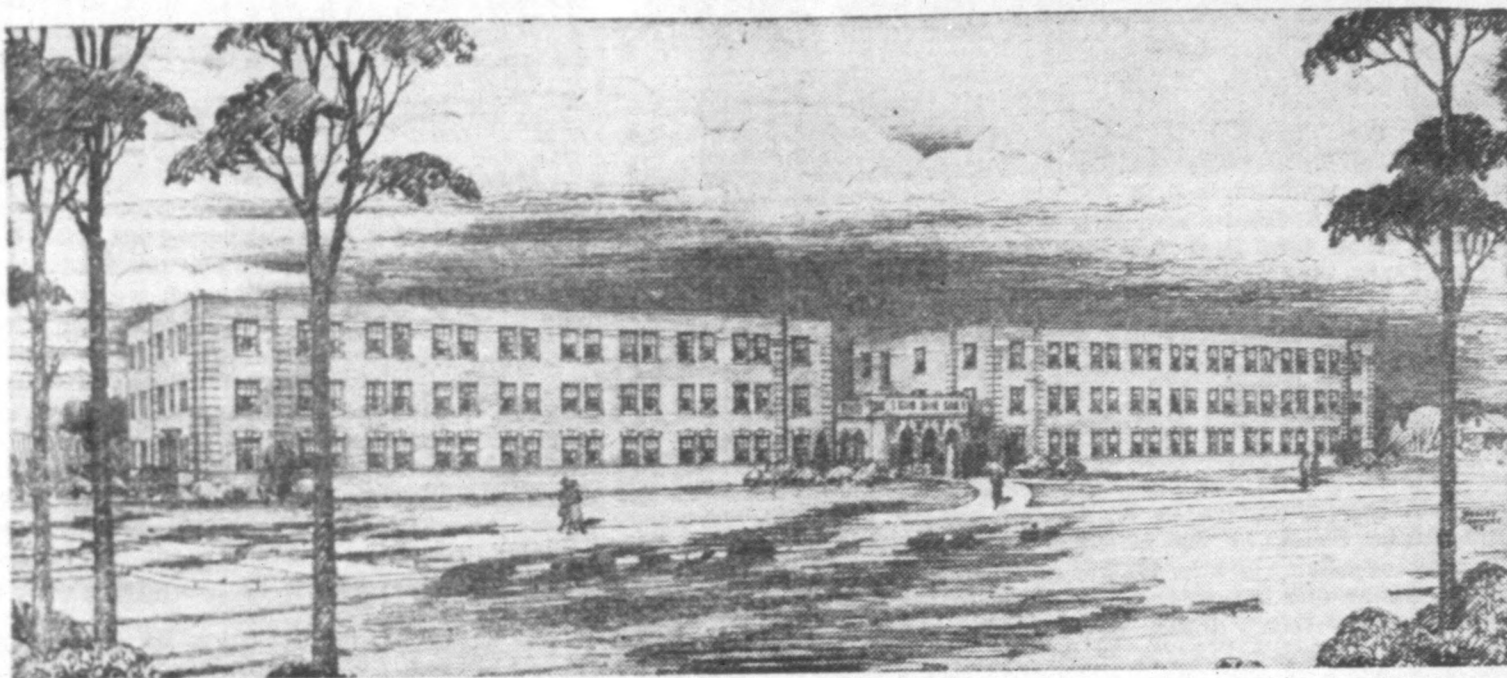
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Looks Toward the Future

Includes Following Items:

Administrative Building.
Modern Dorms for Girls.
Lawment Departments.
Enlargement Student Body.
Expansion Library.



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College as a national center has reached around the world largely in part by doubling the number in attendance. The college will be revised to meet changing conditions in keeping with the times to enlarge its use to the rural as well as the larger churches, and to draw toward both laymen and ministerial students in the Church Secret and Ministers of Music.

The College Enlargement Program is to better equip this institution and the life of Christ. Every Mississippi Baptist should contribute and help friends throughout the Southland is earnestly

PROPOSED GIRLS' DORMITORY

Another great and immediate need at Mississippi College is a modern dormitory for young women. The number of women students could easily be doubled, if there were adequate housing facilities. The situation in Clinton is ideal. The social life is attractive, wholesome, and helpful. The young women have unusual educational, social and religious advantages.

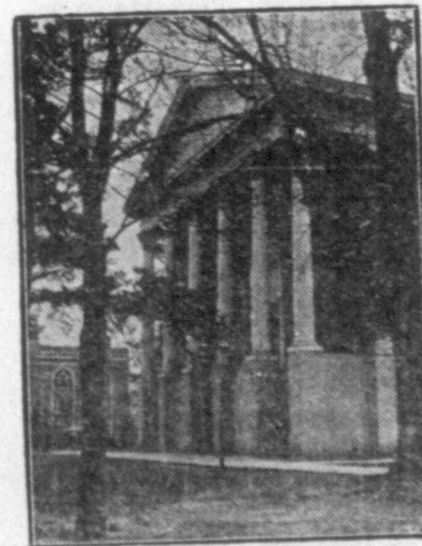
The proposed dormitory pictured above would accommodate 200 girls and would probably cost \$150,000.00.

Media Objectives

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for 5 Year Plan	\$600,000.00

MISSISSIPPI COLLEGE has a wonderful heritage. It has a fortunate location and a great faculty. Its influence and reputation have reached around the world. The unusual number of great leaders it has produced during its 119 years has been remarkable. Clinton has become a great religious and educational center; but, if it is to grow and expand, it must have enlarged facilities. The Enlargement Program is under way. The movement deserves the cooperation and loyal support of Alumni, former students, and all friends of Christian Education. **Contributions, large or small, will be gratefully received.**

MISSISSIPPI COLLEGE ENLARGEMENT PROGRAM
Clinton, Mississippi



THE HISTORIC CHAPEL



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CALVARY JACKSON STORY HOUR WINS HONORS

The members of Calvary Baptist Church, Jackson, Mississippi, are justly proud of their Story Hour Department. They have recently been informed that they have the first standard Story Hour Department in Mississippi, also one of the few standard departments in the Southern Baptist Convention. These attainments have been accomplished through the capable directorship of Mrs. Barney Walker, with Mrs. R. W. Webb, associate, and other faithful officers. Mrs. Miller Camp is the efficient secretary of this department. Through the untiring efforts of Mrs. Walker and her co-workers, this department has grown from a unit Story Hour to a department Story Hour, including Nursery, Beginner, and Primary units. The following workers are listed with their respective units: Nursery—Mrs. S. B. Fillingame, Mrs. R. W. Webb, and Mrs. R. C. Holderfield; Beginners—Mrs. Sam Coplin, Mrs. Naul Tate and Mrs. Lewellyn Dean; Primary—Mrs. W. B. May, Mrs. L. U. Amason and Miss Effie Lucas.

These workers, realizing the importance of training a child during these

MISSISSIPPI BAPTIST FOUNDATION HOLDS INSURANCE POLICIES FOR \$15,000.00

Three \$5,000.00 insurance policies have been placed with the Mississippi Baptist Foundation to be handled for three of our institutions.

Five thousand to each of the following institutions: Mississippi Baptist Hospital, Mississippi College and Blue Mountain College. These policies have the Mississippi Baptist Foundation as the irrevocable beneficiary, and the premiums will be paid by the donor for the rest of his life, or to prior to endowment date 15 years hence.

Since the premiums on policies made irrevocably to the Mississippi Baptist Foundation can be deducted up to the 15 percent allowable on income tax, this makes it possible for persons with reasonably large incomes to take out policies on their own lives at small costs to themselves. For illustration: a person with a net income of \$10,000 annually would only pay 62 per cent of the premium, while the government would absorb 38 per cent. Persons with incomes of \$50,000 would only pay 28 per cent, while persons with a net income of \$100,000 would only pay 12 per cent up to the 15 per cent allowable.

Since our government values our religious institutions high enough to make this concession, it would be a fine thing for as many Baptists as possible to take out a policy or policies for some of our Baptist institutions and agencies. If you would like further information concerning this method of leaving an estate for the work of the Lord, please write, A. B.

NASHVILLE CHURCHES WIN 608

The Centennial Crusade got off to a good start in Nashville, Tennessee, January 14-28 under the leadership of General Director Dr. M. E. Dodd.

A thorough census was taken by Dr. T. L. Holcomb, J. N. Barnette and the Sunday School Board forces. There were 608 for baptism and 245 by letter. With 36 of the 53 churches cooperating there were one-half as many additions as all the 53 churches had during 1944.

Among those assisting in the various churches were:

Rev. Chester Quarles, pastor, Leland Baptist Church; the president of the Southwestern Theological Seminary, Dr. E. D. Head; the editor of the Tennessee Baptist paper, Dr. O. W. Taylor; vice president of the Northern Baptist Convention, Dr. John Bunyan Smith; executive secretary of the Tennessee Baptist Convention, Dr. C. W. Pope; president of the Tennessee Baptist Convention, Dr. Frank Wood; vice president of the radio committee of the Southern Baptist Convention, Rev. Ramsey Pollard; superintendent of the Home Mission Board, Dr. Fred C. Eastham; the general director of the Evangelistic Crusade.

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Vocational Emphasis Week for Baptist students at M. S. C. W., Columbus, observed the week of February 12-17 with short talks at noon daily. The theme for discussion was "Christ in My Chosen Vocation." The following participated in the discussions: Miss Margaret McClellan, B. S. U. secretary for M. S. C. W.; Miss Margaret Archibald, missionary to Japan; Mrs. Winn

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impressible years, have given themselves wholeheartedly to this end. With the exception of two new workers, every officer in this department has received the award for taking the Story Hour Leadership Manual. This training has proved invaluable. Additional help has been received from the Training Union Magazine, The Story Hour Leader, and the Storytime, which is a weekly paper for the children.

Mrs. Walker says that the cooperation on the part of these workers has been one hundred percent in every respect. Pastor Claud B. Bowen and Director C. H. Cooper both rejoice in the splendid progress the entire Training Union is making and are especially proud of their Story Hour.

Much interest is being manifested in the friendly attendance contest being held between the Summit Training Union and the Friendship, Pike county, Training Union. The halfway mark was reached Sunday night with a score of 176 present at Friendship. All are looking forward to the banquet promised the winner.—Mrs. W. W. White, church reporter, Friendship church.

In January we issued 980 Training Union study course awards.

Mrs. George, director of the Pontotoc Training Union, says they plan to challenge some nearby Training Union to an attendance record. At the close of the contest the losers will entertain the winners with a banquet. We heard of one contest like this and the two Training Unions ate at the banquet, but two different menus were served, the winners had turkey with all that goes with it, the losers had peas and cornbread. Not so bad at that, eh?

Pleasant Grove in Wayne County

The Pleasant Grove church in Wayne county recently had the pleasure of having Brother B. S. Hilbun, one of our enlistment pastors, with them in a Training Union study course. There were 58 to qualify for awards which is a splendid showing for the week's effort. Brother Hilbun taught the Young People, Mrs. Tillis Powell the Intermediates, and Brother J. E. Nix taught the Juniors. Rev. Dave Harrison is the happy pastor of this fine church and we congratulate him on the success of this course.

We welcome Miss Annie Averett of Hattiesburg into the circle of full time church educational directors. Miss Averett has just been elected to this position in First church Hattiesburg. She is well qualified, having been doing the work as a volunteer in her leisure time. As a school teacher, in the Hattiesburg high school, she has manifested her interest in the young people and has been a great blessing to hundreds.

of V. B. S. department, Nashville, and Dr. S. B. Platt, Miss Bonita Godwin and Mrs. R. W. Stevenson of First

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ONE MAN'S PRAYER

Dear God:

Help me to be a sport in this big game of life.

I don't ask for any easy place in the line-up.

Play me anywhere you need me.

I only ask for the stuff to give you 100 percent of what I've got.

If all the hard drives seem to come my way,

I thank God for the compliment.

Help me to remember that you won't ever let anything

Come my way that you and I together cannot handle.

And, help me to take the bad breaks as part of the game.

Help me to understand that the game is full of knots

And knocks and trouble, and make me thankful for them.

Help me to get so that the harder they come

The better I like it.

And, O God, help me to play on the square

No matter what the other players do, help me to come clean.

Help me to study the Book so that I'll know the rules;

And to study and think a lot about The Greatest Player that ever lived,

And other great players.

If they found out that the best part of the game

Was helping the other guys who were out of luck,

Help me to find it out too.

Help me to be a regular fellow with the other players.

Finally, O God, if fate seems to uppercut me with both hands,

And I'm laid on the shelf in sickness or old age or something,

Help me to take that part of the game too.

Help me not to whimper or squeal that the game was a frame-up;

Or that I had a raw deal.

And when, in the falling dusk, I get the final bell,

I'd only like to know that you feel that I've been decent

And game and a helper.

March 6—Last Call

This is the last time we will have an opportunity to say anything in these columns about SOUTHWIDE SUNDAY SCHOOL DAY ON MARCH 6, 1945. This is the day when every association in the South is supposed to have a special meeting in the interest of the Southern Baptist Centennial Year and the part our Sunday schools can have in that.

The Sunday School Board has mailed literature to all associational Sunday school superintendents. In this package are several leaflets, including a suggested program for the day. They are also mailing our state Sunday school office several packages of this material to be used in case of emergency.

Therefore, if any associational Sunday school superintendent did not get his package, if you will write the Sunday School Department, Box 530, Jackson, Miss., we shall be delighted to mail you one at once.

The program for that day is brief,

only about two hours. It may be held in the morning, afternoon, or at night. Doubtless the greatest number of people can attend a night session. However, this is for each association to decide in view of its own conditions.

The Centennial Crusade

It is indeed encouraging to note the splendid interest on the part of so many schools in the Southern Baptist Centennial Crusade, with the goal of one million lost people won to Christ this year. Many schools are making rather definite plans toward having a larger part in soul winning this year than ever. Many of them are asking what they can do to contribute to the total Southwide effort. Every school has an opportunity to aid in this most worthy and challenging goal for 1945.

Some things that every school should consider along this line during the year are: Have at least one week's study in some good soul-winning book; plan for a Vacation Bible school of its own; plan to conduct a mission Vacation Bible school; organize a mission Sunday school wherever possible; know definitely through a religious census and other ways the names and addresses of all lost people in the community; distribute these names of lost ones among the various classes and departments of the Sunday school; make soul winning a positive note at all meetings of officers and teachers; urge teachers to be most diligent in prayer, teaching and private interview with the lost of their classes; inaugurate a definite and consistent program of visitation and personal contact; and pray much for the Lord's leadership and power that our efforts may be used for His glory in the salvation of the lost.

There is no community but that has some lost people; of course, many of them are small communities with not many people altogether, and not many lost ones. But, as long as there is one unsaved person in the community as a prospect for the Sunday school, there is still the obligation to try to win him.

We sincerely trust that our Sunday schools, with their unusual opportunities for reaching the masses of the people for the teaching of the word; with their unique set-up for a real teaching situation, and with the golden opportunity of such fine follow-up work each week, will make wise use of these days and weeks of 1945 in what will no doubt be the greatest soul-winning year Southern Baptists have ever had up to this time.

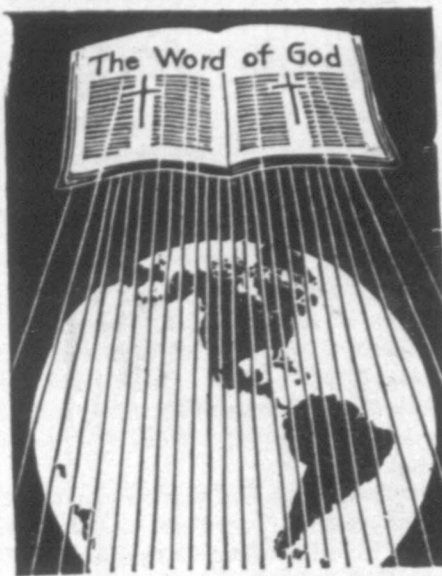
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The Baptist Record is grateful to B. K. Hudspeth of Hickory Flat for sending a list of six renewals. Rev. J. B. Parker is the pastor.

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THE LIGHT OF LIFE

When we sing wistfully and hopefully "When the Lights Come on Again All Over the World," we are thinking primarily in terms of physical, artificial light that has been denied so long to those in the war stricken areas of the world, for obvious reasons. God speed the day of the fulfillment of that song.

But infinitely more important is it that the Light of God's Word shall shine in the hearts and lives of all men everywhere. The quicker that is made possible the sooner will wars cease and men will learn to love each other and seek each other's good rather than their destruction. The old prophet Isaiah sized up the situation exactly right when he prophesied: "They shall not hurt nor destroy in all my holy mountain: for the earth shall be full of the knowledge of the Lord, as the waters cover the sea" (Isa. 11:9).

The psalmist hit the nail on the head when he said, "Thy word is a lamp unto my feet and a light unto my path. . . . The entrance of thy words giveth light" (Psalm 119:105, 130). Without this Word we would be compelled to grope our way in darkness through this wilderness of sin and sorrow.

Jesus said, "I am the light of the world; he that followeth me shall not walk in darkness, but shall have the light of life" (John 8:12). This Word of God reveals Jesus to us as the light of the world, which is now so sorely overshadowed by the darkness of sin and death, and so becomes to us a light in which we can walk with perfect safety and confidence that we shall not go astray from God.



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Mr. and Mrs. James A. Reynolds, of Vossburg, have been officially notified of the death of their only son, James Robert, specialist transport airman in the U. S. Naval Reserve. He was killed January 15 in a plane crash, which occurred in the Admiralty Islands.

Inducted into service in August of 1943, young Reynolds received his training at Ellyson Field, Pensacola, Fla., and at Oakland, Calif., before sailing for combat duty. He was privileged to visit his family only one time before he left the States—that was a short leave granted him on completion of boot camp. He had seen much action in the war with the Japanese, having been stationed in Australia and then in the Admiralties, where he met death.

Airman Reynolds was well-known throughout the Vossburg area and was one of his community's most promising young men. Blessed with an attractive personality and the happy faculty of winning friends, he was recognized as a leader in all worth while undertakings of the younger citizenry. He was graduated from Pachuta high school in the spring of 1942 and, during the 1942-43 session, was a student in Jones County Junior College, at Ellisville.

To know Robert was to love him. He always met his friends with a smile. It was a common thing to hear his friends and classmates say "Robert is a good boy" or a "sweet boy." He surrendered his heart to his Lord at the age of 14 and remained a consecrated member for the remaining years of his life. He was a member of Pleasant Grove Baptist Church in Clark county. He was only 19 years old at the time of his death. When we think of him so young we are made to feel that God has seen fit to take from earth to heaven a "rosebud."

Besides his parents he leaves a twin sister, Mrs. Margaret Sanford, and a little nephew, Donnie, who is less than a year old. Many relatives and friends sorrow at his passing.

The only comforting words I can offer the bereaved ones is: "Mourn not the dead whose lives declare That they have nobly borne their part. For victory's golden crown they wear Reserved for every faithful heart."

With love and sympathy,
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Over and over again your director of evangelism hears people bring up the question, "Can it be done?" Many writers have already answered this query by giving specific statistics showing us how that any one of a number of organizational groups can do the job by simply winning a limited number for the group, and that all of the groups in spite of duplications certainly ought to get the work done.

The Trouble Spot

The above named success, however, presupposes that the workers in these organizational groups are SOUL WINNERS, surrendered, and spirit directed. This brings us face to face with our difficulty. This places our fingers squarely on the TROUBLE SPOT. Many, many thousands have been trained to win souls; but they have NEVER been led in an all out, Spirit directed attack. We have said that our Sunday schools are evangelistic because we have baptized a few pupils each year from their membership, but have our teachers been definite, on the job soul winners? Too, is this not so of all the rest of our organizational groups?

The Mountainlike Difficulty

Brother Pastor, here is YOUR problem: you must figure out some way of getting your people to follow you in a definite soul winning program. You must tell them that now is the time to put their training into practice. You must get them to see that now is the time to quit talking ABOUT soul winning and do some of it. Every pastor knows the difficulty of this very problem, but this year IT MUST BE DONE.

Pastors Should Not Do It Alone

If the pastors of the Southern Baptist Convention by Herculean efforts win the million souls, our people are going to lose the greatest blessing of their spiritual careers, and our churches are not going to experience a perennial revival. For permanent good the PEOPLE must do this job for their Master.

One Way to Move the People

One way to move the people to do soul winning is by prayer. Make you a prayer clock and put it in the front of your auditorium. Have all of the members of the church to sign this clock to pray at a certain hour, asking God to lead them to participate in winning the lost in their community. Have all twenty-four hours of the clock signed. Each person is to pray on his hour every day in 1945. If the people mean business in their praying, God is never going to let your church be the same again.

Personal Testimony

It can be done. Brother Pastor, divide your membership by five. This will give you your part of the million souls. Review your possibilities, and you will find them right at your door. Give the names to the people and send them out. The present writer has done this, and his people have begun to work. For the first two months we have already OVERSHOT our quota. By the help of God IT CAN BE DONE. What are YOU doing about it?

Macedonia Baptist Church, B. D. Isaac, pastor—one of our Choctaw Indian churches—sends a nice offering for the Mississippi Baptist Hos-

pital Expansion Campaign.

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FIRST CHURCH, JACKSON, IS DEBT FREE

The First Baptist Church, Jackson, has paid the last of a debt on the building. Constructed at a cost in excess of a half-million dollars, the debt was over \$200,000 when the building was completed. During the years this has been reduced by funds from the regular budget without undue strain on the members. On February 4 the last of the obligation was cancelled.

Dr. W. A. Hewitt, pastor, has planned dedication services for March 4 and March 11. At the morning service on March 4, the building committee which guided the construction of the church will preside at a note-burning ceremony. Dr. Hewitt will then lead in dedicating the house, free and unencumbered by debt, to the service of Christ.

Dr. D. A. "Scotch" McCall will preach at the evening service on March 4.

Continuing the debt-free celebration on March 11, Dr. J. B. Lawrence, executive secretary of the Home Mission Board, will be with the church to preach at both services.

Every member of the original building committee is active at present in the church. This committee is composed of J. M. Hartfield, T. M. Hederman, Pat Eager, O. B. Taylor, Sr., Dr. J. P. Wall, Judge Sidney Smith, J. H. Wells. Mr. J. M. Hartfield, for many years chairman of the deacons, was honored in being chosen again this year as chairman. It is significant to the membership that the man who led out so faithfully then is again leading in this hour of rejoicing.

Under the leadership of Dr. Hewitt, the church has grown from a membership of 973 in 1918 to 4,362 at the present time. When he became pastor, the building was valued at \$35,000; now the property of the church is worth more than \$600,000. The budget of the church in 1918 was \$10,132.11, while for 1945 it is over \$100,000.

It is impossible to enumerate the accomplishments of this great pastor. His people love him for his wide understanding and unfailing sympathy. He has never failed them. His heart has been set in the midst of his members. His work and his desire has been for their good. In great measure credit



(Answers on Page Fifteen)

1. When the Israelites spent forty years in the wilderness, God said He would send "hornets" to drive out their enemies. What did He mean by "hornets"?

2. It has been a custom for the governors of Texas when retiring from office, to write in a book on their desk an appropriate quotation from the Bible. Can you quote any of these Bible passages?

3. At least thirteen disciples met with severe and unusual deaths. (Thirteen has since been called an unlucky number.) Can you describe the death of three disciples?

4. Were the "ovens" mentioned in the Bible in any way similar to those which we use today? (In the baking of bread, etc.)

SPRING HILL IS NUMER 776

One of the latest additions to the growing list of EVERY FAMILY churches is Spring Hill, Copiah county. Rev. Robert L. Lee is pastor. He not only led this church to adopt the EVERY FAMILY Plan but also to send the Record to their members in the armed service.

Copiah county Record readers are listed as follows: BETHEL 45, CARPENTER 27, COUNTY LINE 32, CRYSTAL SPRINGS 312, GALLMAN 27, GALILEE 16, GATESVILLE 9, Harmony 2, GEORGETOWN 34, HAZLEHURST 112, HOPEWELL 30, NEW PROVIDENCE 20, NEW ZION 68, PINE BLUFF 36, Mission Hill 1, PILGRIM'S REST 50, PLEASANT HILL 14, POPULAR SPRINGS 23, ROCKPORT 3, SARDIS 33, SHADY GROVE 48, SPRING HILL 67, STRONG HOPE 51, WESSON 23, SMYRNA 19, DAMASCUS 12, ANTIOCH 18, SYLVARENA 43, Harmony 2.

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BAPTIST DOORS OPEN

(Continued from Page One)

the main offering to be taken June 17. It is understood by Mississippi Baptist leaders that a number of our churches have already made plans for this offering in April. The churches are free, of course, to decide such matters and should go ahead and take this special offering at the season most convenient. The goal is set at a minimum of \$50,000; and, according to Southwide Centennial Crusade plans, the offering is to be distributed according to the established Cooperative Program percentages. Mississippi Baptists will play the game according to the rule.

Instead of fixing a Sunday for an American Bible Society offering, the Executive Committee recommends that each church take such offering at the time most suited to the local conditions.

Executive Committee members present were: John D. Davis, George Gay, J. D. Ray, W. A. Hewitt, G. C. Hodge, R. D. Pearson, J. B. Parker.

must be given to Dr. Hewitt who, in humility and dependence upon God, has labored untiringly for the success and the growth of this great church. And last but not least, much credit is due to Mrs. Hewitt, who has been all that a pastor's wife should be.

Sunday School Lesson

Prepared by Bracey Campbell

Lesson for March 4 JESUS TEACHES FORGIVENESS

Lesson Text: Matthew 18-22

Printed: Matt. 18:21-35

Introduction-

Read from v. 15, and note that many ancient manuscripts of Matthew omit the words, "against thee," and make the verse read, "And if thy brother sin, go show him his fault between him and thee alone." It has seemed to me that it would be better for someone else to tell a man of his fault than the brother against whom the fault was committed. If you went to a man and said to him, "Look Brother John, you have done Brother James wrong," that he might with much greater patience hear you than if you went and said, "See here, Brother John, you have done me wrong." From this point the Lord's prescription takes its course. Now, that is not the way we usually proceed; we tell everybody else but the offending brother, and leave him in utter ignorance of the fact that we are saying anything about the matter, indeed it is easily possible that he is not aware that he has wrought a wrong at all.

I mind a time that I announced that certain men in my church were leading in a given matter and after the service, had a deacon say, "You've made one of your deacons mad." "Which and how?" "Goggans was on that committee, and you didn't mention his name." Well, the poor hick had done so utterly nothing that I had forgotten he was on the committee, but I beat it out to his house and apologized for the oversight. He would never have said a word to me about it, but he was burning me up to his wife and the wide world in general. I thank the man who told me the dear brother was mad.

But suppose the brother will not hear anybody? "Let him be unto thee as the Gentile and the publican." "Having no fellowship with the brethren." Does that mean leave him alone and let him go to hell? I thank dear old Dr. W. T. Lowrey that I heard him say long ago, "The Gentile and the publican were the men the Lord was concerned to win. You are to go to the offending brother as a servant of the Lord and strive to win him as one for whom the Lord Christ died, and continue your efforts unto his salvation."

I. The Frequency of Forgiveness. Vv. 21, 22.

Hear Brother Peter: "Lord, how often shall my brother sin against me, and I forgive him? Unto seven times?" The rabbis have a rule about that. They would not permit an offending brother to ask forgiveness more than three times. The fourth time a man wronged another, he had everlastingly struck out, and had no right to ask forgiveness for that offense or any committed after that. Now, hear the Lord.

The man who would be Godlike in his life will cultivate the forgiving spirit and not count any number of times, but just maintain a forgiving heart always. Forgiveness is different from mere forgetting. We may not be able to forget an injury, but we may forgive it, that is we will no

longer hold it against the perpetrator of it.

II. An Illustration of the Forgiving Spirit. Vv. 23-27.

Our Lord gave Peter an answer to his question by an illustration. This illustration is recorded only in Matthew's gospel. A certain king began to make settlement with his servants, on the basis, undoubtedly, of the property with which he had intrusted to them, and found among them one who owed him an enormous debt, competent authorities think it was at least ten million dollars. The man who owes so much, and has little or no assets, can have no hope of paying.

The vast proportions of the debt were put into the story by the Lord to teach by implication the hopelessness of those who are under the burden of sin, and shows the crushing weight of the debt men owe to God on account of sin. "God being what He is, and we being what we are, and sin being what it is, every sin is large, although the deed which embodies it may be, when measured by the world's foot-rule, very small. For the essence of sin is rebellion against God, and the enthroning of self as His victorious rival. There is no more conspicuous misuse of language than when we speak of anything which has in it the virus of rebellion against God and the breach of His law as a small sin. It may be a small act; it is a great sin" (Alexander MacLaren). "His lord commanded him to be sold, and his wife, and children, and all that he had, and payment to be made." A man's wife and children are part of his property under all old economics, and the creditor is allowed to sell them into slavery to satisfy the debt of the husband and father. "He has the right and power altogether to alienate from Himself, reject, and deliver into bondage all those who have come short of His glory; that by a terrible but righteous sentence those, unless His sentence be reversed, shall be punished by everlasting destruction from the presence of the Lord."—R. C. Trench.

"Lord, have patience with me, and I will pay thee all." Now, the debtor could not do that, no debtor can do that. To apply the illustration, no sinner can discharge the liability under which he lies crushed. When a sinner, convicted of his sin, makes such a promise, "Lord, have mercy on me, and I will henceforth live a righteous life," he shows by such a plea that he has not yet realized the enormity of his sin, and that his future good conduct can not atone for the past. The subsequent conduct of the man in the parable shows very decidedly that he was not right at heart, that he had not realized either the goodness of his lord or the enormity of the favor which had been extended him. Ready to accept extended mercy, but not ready to extend the same to those who were in his own extreme case, and in no sorer need than he.

"The lord of that servant, being moved with compassion, released him, and forgave him the debt." For the love of God is broader than the measure of men's minds. And the heart of the Eternal is immeasurably kind." Forgave him all that debt. Just wiped it out, just decided to treat it as though it was not.

III. Illustration and Consequence of the Unforgiving Spirit. Vv. 28-35.

Read and see what this unforgiving servant did to his fellow. He might certainly have been expected to remember, with humbled and softened

BAPTISTS RESENT STETTINIUS SARCASM

Expressing full confidence in Dr. Louie D. Newton, and deploring the recent unjust charge made by Secretary of State Edward R. Stettinius, the Executive Committee of the Southern Baptist Convention which recently met in Nashville passed resolutions:

1. Affirming full confidence in Dr. Newton;

2. Requesting Senator Connally, as chairman of the committee on foreign relations to order an immediate investigation of the whole matter.

feelings, that there is a fine way of passing a blessing on, that the spirit of goodness which leads the Lord of all to show mercy should flow through every one who has been blessed by it and be channeled through grateful hearts to other hearts that are in need of it. Has the fountain of cleansing bathed you clean? Then, at least, give a cup of cold water to the thirsty among the little ones of the Master.

But someone told the lord of the debtor and said, "The man whom thou forgavest, has bound his debtor and sold him for a very small debt." And the lord who had forgiven much was wroth, and, calling to him the man who had been freed from the debt, said, "What sort of an expression of gratitude for a favor shown is this? I wiped the slate against you clean, and you have repaid that kindness by reducing your debtor to slavery. So I write back on my books the debt you owe me and demand that you pay it all. You are unworthy of the grace I showed you, hence, you shall reap the full reward of your wicked sowing. Your place is not among free men, but among those who are slaves of their own cruel hearts. Away with you to your chosen place!"

Who is the unforgiving Christian? Can there be such a creature? Can any man who has ever really experienced the joy of forgiveness at the bar of God be unwilling to forgive his brother the little wrongs which the brother may have wrought him in ignorance or through a mistake? We who have learned to know God as Father, have we not learned to know Him as the One above all others to forgive? and shall we not be God-like in this matter?



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Tallahatchie county Record readers are now listed as follows: BRAZIL 16, CASCILLA 23, CHARLESTON 127, FRIENDSHIP 40, New Life 5, PAYNES 53, PHILLIP 11, SUMNER 45, Tutwiler 4, WEBB 44, SPRING HILL 23, MT. PISGAH 30, PAUL 16, CORINTH 16.

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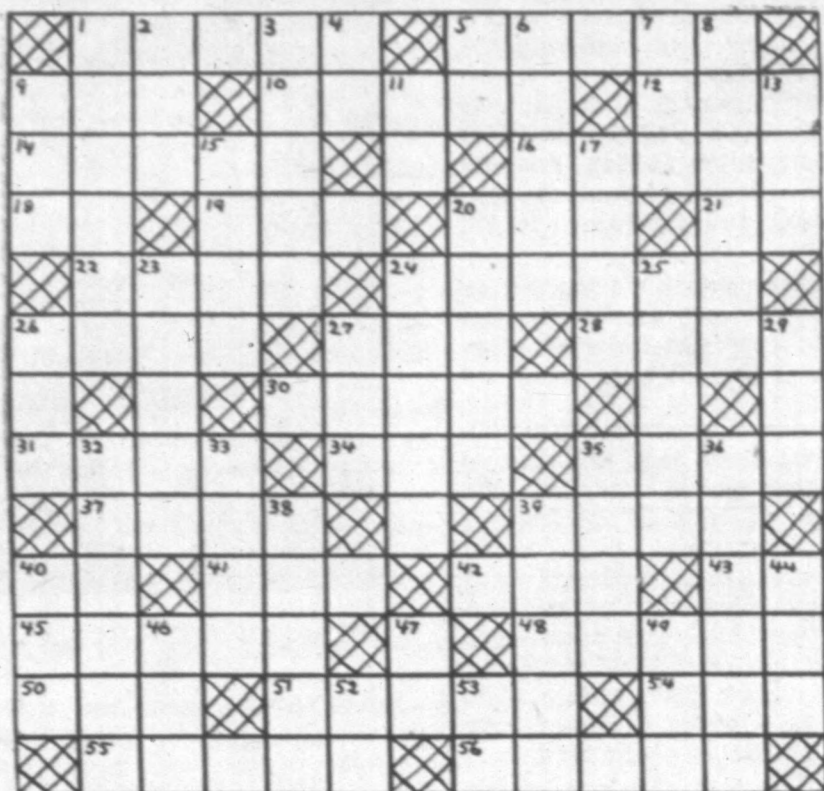
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SPEAKING OF TREES
ACROSS

- 1 "So Hiram gave Solomon . . . trees and fir trees," I Kings 5:10.
- 5 Solomon made pillars for the temple of . . . trees, I Kings 10:12.
- 9 "spreading himself like a green . . . tree," Ps. 37:35.
- 10 "were more . . ." Acts 17:11.
- 12 "Both . . . and high."
- 14 Employers.
- 16 Hebrew letter.
- 18 Canadian province.
- 19 Fish.
- 21 Exclamation.
- 22 River of Austria.
- 24 Province near the Rhine.
- 26 "The righteous shall flourish like the . . . trees," Ps. 92:12.
- 2 Southern state.
- 28 "he paid the . . ." Jonah 1:3.
- 30 Hard wood brought to Tyre by merchants, Ezek. 27:15.
- 31 Female sheep.
- 34 "Take up thy . . . and walk."
- 35 Fluid contents of trees.
- 37 "every . . . word," Matt. 12:36.
- 39 "even . . . the end of the world."
- 40 The last Psalm.
- 41 Salutation.
- 42 One of David's officers, 2 Sam. 20:26.
- 43 Measure.
- 45 "shalt have . . . trees throughout all thy coasts," Deut. 28:40.
- 48 "As the . . . tree among the trees of the wood," S. of S. 2:3.
- 50 City of Canaanites, I Kings 4:11.
- 51 "in the month . . ." Neb. 2:1.
- 54 Saul and his sons were buried under an . . . tree, I Chron. 10:12.
- 55 Blows.
- 56 Shrub, identified as "the hyssop that springeth out of the wall."

DOWN

- 1 Spice, derived from the bark of a tree, brought to Tyre, Ezek. 27:19.
- 2 "as the apple of his . . ."
- 3 Genus of geese.

ANSWERS TO LAST WEEK



- 4 Artificial language.
- 5 Indian mulberry.
- 6 Escapes through a hole.
- 7 Central American rubber tree.
- 8 Noah's ark was made of this wood.
- 9 Kind of cake.
- 11 Verb.
- 13 Pronoun.
- 15 A horned wild animal; called unicorn in the Bible.
- 17 "but her . . . shall be green."
- 20 Antelope.
- 23 Turned about.
- 24 "the tree of lign . . . which the Lord hath planted," Num. 24:6.
- 25 Unit of weight.
- 26 A good one is 48 across.
- 27 Wool or yarn.
- 29 Bitter vetch.
- 32 The captive Israelites hung their harps on trees of this kind.
- 33 A European.
- 35 Crack.
- 36 "And Jacob took him rods of green . . ." Gen. 30:37.
- 38 "one . . . unto all," Eccl. 9:3.
- 39 County of New South Wales.
- 40 Fish.
- 44 Take (Dial. Eng.).
- 46 Anger.
- 47 Pronoun.
- 49 American poet.
- 52 Has being.
- 53 Before Christ (L.).



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DR. R. G. LEE
DR. LEE COMING TO
CRYSTAL SPRINGS

Dr. R. G. Lee, pastor of Bellevue Baptist Church, Memphis, Tenn., will be the evangelist in the annual spring revival meeting at the First Baptist Church, Crystal Springs, to be held the week of March 4-9. Services will be held daily at 10 a. m. and 7:45 p. m. The music will be under the direction of Rev. Dalton Leath of Owensboro, Ky.

Dr. Lee is well known to Mississippi Baptists, being one of the outstanding preachers of America, and pastor for more than seventeen years in our neighboring city, Memphis. He has also held revivals in a number of churches of our state, and has spoken at numerous conventions, conferences, etc.

Rev. Dalton Leath, although a young man in the ministry, has already made a large place for himself, both as a pastor and in the field of gospel singing. He directed the music in a revival in Crystal Springs church in the summer of 1943.

Pastor Joe T. Odle says, "We count ourselves most fortunate to have Dr. R. G. Lee with us for a meeting during the Baptist Centennial Evangelistic Crusade year, and we are praying for a great revival in our church and community, and that God may bless this whole section by his visit here. We are also happy to have Bro. Leath with us again, for he won a lasting place in our hearts by his work when he was with us two years ago. We cordially invite the people of surrounding territory to attend these services. Dr. Lee will be with us March 5-9."

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50 NEW SOUTHERN BAPTIST MISSIONARIES TO LEAVE FOR LATIN AMERICA

New Orleans, La.—(RNS)—Fifty new missionaries of the Southern Baptist Convention will leave for Latin America in April, it was disclosed here by Dr. Everett Gill, Jr., of Richmond, Va., secretary for Latin America of the Convention's Foreign Mission Board.

Declaring that the mission field in Latin America is "growing and expanding new as never before," Dr. Gill said that "over half of our staff of 500 is in that field despite closed areas."

"Two-thirds of all our mission work is being done in Latin America," he added, "and now that churches and institutions in this country are out of debt we want to enlarge our world missionary program."

MISSISSIPPI CALENDAR OF PRAYER

March 5—Mrs. James B. Leavell, Dean of Students, Blue Mountain College; Rev. F. G. Wilborn, B. T. U. Director, George County.

March 6—Sunday School Day in Every Association; Harvey Gill, Training Union Director, Greene County.

March 7—W. D. Gooch, DeSoto County Board Member; Rev. C. S. Mullins, Director, B. T. U. for Oktibbeha County.

March 8—A. C. Puckett, Mississippi College Trustee; Rev. Percy Renick, Winston County B. T. U. Director.

March 9—A. J. Guyton, Blue Mountain College Trustee; John Henley, Noxubee County Training Union Director.

March 10—Rev. R. C. Woodham, Woman's College Trustee; W. E. Craft, Choctaw County Training Union Director.

March 11—W. W. James, Board of Ministerial Education; L. E. Cliburn, Neshoba County B. T. U. Director.

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MRS. R. F. LOVE

I served as pastor of churches for nearly fifty years. During that time, I came in contact with many noble Christian women. But I never knew a more consecrated Christian than was Mrs. Love. Furthermore, she was well versed in the Bible, and one of the best and most faithful Sunday school teachers I ever heard explain the scriptures.

Mrs. Love was always loyal to her Lord and His cause, and to her church and pastor.

In the home-going of Mrs. Love, the First Baptist Church of Itta Bena has lost one of her very best members.—L. D. Posey, a former pastor.

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WHO KILLED NIGHT POLICEMAN OF HOLLY SPRINGS?

J. W. Lee

Holly Springs, Miss., Jan. 29—Pvt. George M. Tabler of Fort Benning, Ga., has been held in jail here since a fight with Night Policeman A. D. Hill Sunday morning, Jan. 21, which allegedly resulted in Mr. Hill's death Friday morning, Jan. 26.

Private Tabler, who was returning from a furlough at his home in Kansas City, Mo., was drunk, according to Sheriff Tucker. He jumped off the bus and ran up a stairway north of the bus station. When Mr. Hill followed him there was a scuffle down the steps. Mr. Hill's head hit the pavement and his skull was fractured.

The above appeared in the Commercial Appeal January 30. Duly constituted law enforcement officers charge Private Tabler with murder.

They may punish him as a murderer. But after all who killed the officer? From a former news report we learn that Tabler said he bought the whiskey in Memphis.

The whiskey was legally made and legally sold. Shall the government which authorized its manufacture and sale declare that it is free from the blood of A. D. Hill? Such questions have no place under our present man made laws and American courts. But what about the heavenly courts?

Does not the blood of A. D. Hill, like Abel's blood, cry out to God?

Will the verdict of the Holly Springs court satisfy God? Will not the God of all the earth do right and place the blame for the death of A. D. Hill where it belongs?

Many service men will come back home as they went away, fine, sober Christian men, but it will be in spite of their army environments and not because of them. Thousands and thousands of petitions have gone unheeded to the President and secretaries of war and the navy from our churches and parents to recommend to Congress the enactment of legislation to protect our service men from the temptation of strong drink.

It seems that the brewers, distillers, saloon keepers, communists, and corrupt city political machines have far more influence with the present administration in Washington than all the churches in America combined. They secure just such legislation as suits them.

A serviceman bought legally made and legally sold whiskey, which made him drunk and while drunk committed a crime, of which he has no recollection and for which he is sorry. Is he guilty of a crime against the law? Yes. Has he deprived a wife of her husband and support? Yes. Has he made fatherless children? Yes. Should he be made to pay for his crime? Yes.

But what about his partners in crime—the distillers, the sellers and those who made it legal to manufacture and sell that which made criminals of men? There is no such thing as helping to make a law and not being held responsible in God's sight for the effects of the law.

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Pastor J. M. Spikes sends in a nice list of new and renewal subscriptions from Isola. He now has two-thirds of his resident families as subscribers and hopes to make it EVERY FAMILY before many months.

Miss Fannie Thornton of Camden is sending The Baptist Record to two of her nephews who are in the armed service.

PAUL AND JACK CRANFORD



Having paid the outstanding indebtedness, Bowmar Avenue church, Vicksburg, was dedicated debt-free on January 21. Leading the crusade for payment of the 22-year-old debt has

been the Rev. Paul Cranford, former pastor, and his brother, the Rev. Jack Cranford, present pastor. They are shown in the photo, Paul now being overseas as an army chaplain.

PERCENTAGES SHOULD NOT BE FROZEN

By Lawson H. Cooke

What we call the Cooperative Program is nothing more or less than a denominational budget, identical in principle to the budget of an individual church. It should, therefore, be characterized by the same flexibility. To hold that a table of percentages should be permanently frozen, is about as impractical a thing as one could suggest.

Percentages should be based upon current relative needs, but, as needs are constantly changing, an allotment in 1940 may be entirely out of line in 1945. To argue that a given cause should permanently receive twenty-five per cent of the whole, is as unsound as it is arbitrary. In five years, or even next year, that particular cause may not need but twenty per cent, or it may need forty per cent.

The expanding program of the denomination will, from time to time, call for additional administrative and promotional agencies. This will necessitate a general rearrangement of all percentages. The only alternative is to add them to the present preferred items, which means that we would soon have two Cooperatives instead of one. The present distribution of Cooperative Program gifts was substantially arranged at a time when every southwide agency was heavily in debt. It took into account the relative requirements for debt liquidation. But as every agency is now out of debt, the percentages which were based upon former indebtedness are not at all appropriate today.

Then again, if the Cooperative Program is intended to support all of the causes of the convention that need such support, every such cause should

GROVER CLEVELAND MIZE

Grove Cleveland Mize, a member of Johns Baptist Church, Rankin county, passed away on February 7. He was very active in church work and his consecration was an inspiration to his family and friends. Though he was not well for several years he managed to find ways to serve his Lord. Daily his life witnessed for Christ as he told others about Him. His influence will live on in the lives of his loved ones and friends.

Death was a gateway to a fuller and richer life with God. We want his life to challenge us to press on in Christian service.

To his family we extend sincere sympathy and pray that God may sustain and comfort them in their hour of sorrow and loss.

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NOTICE TO LAWRENCE COUNTY BAPTISTS

I am calling for an evangelistic rally of our association to be held with Shiloh Baptist Church the fifth Sunday in April. A program will soon be published. We urge some members from each church in the association to attend.

B. E. PHILLIPS, Moderator.

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be listed in the table of percentages. Otherwise, the percentages will not represent the actual distribution.

If there are preferred deductions before the percentages apply, then a cause that is listed to receive twenty-five per cent does not actually receive twenty-five per cent of the dollar, but twenty-five per cent of what is left of the dollar after the preferred items have been deducted.

This is not generally understood, and must be made clear if we are to publish to our constituency the actual distribution of the Cooperative Program dollar.

Know Your Bible Answers

Feature on Page 12

1. (God's meaning of hornets): The hornet was a symbol of the Egyptian enemies of the Israelites. (See Exodus 23:28, Deuteronomy 7:20, and Joshua 24:12.)

2. (Texas governors quotations): Former Governor Pat Neff used Psalms 119:105, "Thy word is a lamp unto my feet, and a light unto my path." Other governors used Psalms 19:14, Psalms 91:2, Jeremiah 50:32, etc.

3. (Death of disciples): (1) James, the son of Zebedee, was beheaded at Jerusalem; (2) James, the brother of Jesus, was thrown from a pinnacle of the temple, and then beaten to death with a fuller's club. (3) Philip was hanged up against a pillar at Hieropolis, a city of Phrygia, in Asia Minor. (Others of the thirteen will be presented later.)

4. (Ovens): They used earthen jars, instead of metal. A fire was lighted in the jar, the fuel being nothing but stubble and twigs (Mal. 4:1). When the earthen "oven" became blackened from heat, they were wiped clean; after which thin pieces of dough were baked quickly.

Sapa church, Webster county, has joined the fast growing list of Baptist Record churches. Recently Mrs. Alvin McGaugh sent a list of 25. Rev. J. R. Reedy serves this church in connection with his Eupora pastorate.

Locke Station, Panola county, Rev. Claud Howe, pastor, has helped The Baptist Record toward the 50,000 mark in circulation. A list of 22 came a few days ago.

I never realized until I came into this position just how valuable our denominational papers are in getting ideas across to our constituency. They are tremendous in their influence and power. The subscription lists of all the papers are so large that the papers are mightier now than they have ever been.—Ellis A. Fuller.

We appreciate the following good words from one of our good Mississippi pastors: "Of all the reading material that comes my way I enjoy The Baptist Record most of all! In many ways I am utterly dependent upon it, and want you to know how deeply I appreciate the finely Christian and deeply spiritual quality of every issue."

Another Pike county church has adopted the EVERY FAMILY Plan of The Baptist Record. A recent letter from Rev. C. O. Stegall, pastor, brought 22 names with the information that "Bala Chitto church is going forward in a great way."

Dr. R. A. Tullos, pastor, Calvary church, Greenwood, says that church attendance has grown increasingly from the very beginning of the Church Loyalty Campaign which is now in progress.

On page four is an explanation of the paper rationing situation. All our readers of The Baptist Record should give it careful consideration. Churches considering the EVERY FAMILY Plan should act at once. We may be compelled to freeze our circulation at any time. Individuals planning to subscribe will be wise to do so now. Later may be too late.

Rev. Clyde P. Jones has resigned Ebenezer church, Tangipahoa Association, Louisiana, to accept the call of Silver Springs and Carson churches.

REV. D. L. HILL ACCEPTS CORINTH PASTORATE

Rev. D. L. Hill has resigned the pastorate of the First church, Somerset, Kentucky, in order to become the pastor of the First church, Corinth. Both he and Mrs. Hill are capable, persistent and effective workers. The Somerset church demonstrated their appreciation of the Hills by a unanimous vote to refuse to accept his resignation.

During Dr. Hill's pastorate the Lord graciously blessed his leadership. Every phase of the word in the church manifested great progress. The membership was continually increased. The budget during his five years jumped from approximately \$10,000 to \$30,000 annually.

He succeeds the Rev. W. E. Hunter, now retired, who had served as pastor for 27 years. He and Mrs. Hunter are still members of the church, although he is not active. Mrs. Hunter is a paid assistant to the pastor.

Before going to Somerset Rev. Hill was pastor at Holly Springs. Previous pastorates were Ackerman and Okolona. He succeeds Dr. V. Ward Barr, who recently accepted the pastorate of the First church, Gastonia, North Carolina.

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HOME AND FOREIGN MISSION DAY TO BE OBSERVED MARCH 25

The annual Home and Foreign Mission Day in Sunday school is to be observed March 25. The program, "A Century of Missionary Progress" prepared by Mrs. C. D. Creasman is a most attractive, timely, and informing one.

The program has been mailed to Sunday school superintendents, state secretaries, and editors. It is also printed in The Teacher and The Sunday School Builder for March (10c each) and in the Quarterly Review (first quarter, 25c a copy).

Envelope orders, giving number needed, should be sent early to Committee on Denominational Calendar, 161 Eighth Avenue, North, Nashville 3, Tennessee.

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PENNEBAKER AGAIN WINS FIRST PLACE

For the third time in five years the minutes of the Tallahatchie Baptist Association, J. H. Pennebaker, clerk, have received first prize for the best minutes in the state. Prizes for first and second best in each state, and for first and second best in the South are awarded each year by the Sunday School Board, Dr. E. P. Alldredge, statistical secretary. Although the Tallahatchie minutes did not receive the highest grade, the Yalobusha minutes, T. T. Gooch, clerk, being given a higher rating did not receive the prize because of past achievements. The second prize in the state went to the Panola county minutes, Walton Lee, clerk.

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A movement was launched by East Baptist Church, Greenville, to begin erection of a \$150,000 building at the earliest possible moment. Lots located at McAllister and West streets have been purchased as a building site. Pastor Chas. S. Henderson says that the membership had subscribed in an unusual manner and that they plan also to erect a pastor's home. A survey will be made by an architect in the near future.



CHARLIE MCCARTHY OF SOUTHERN BAPTISTS

Dr. M. E. Dodd, general director of the Centennial Evangelistic Crusade, announces that Rev. W. W. Enete and his companion, Sammy—the "Charlie McCarthy" of Southern Baptists—our missionaries to South America for many years, are now available for work among children and young people in connection with the Crusade.

Brother Enete may be addressed at 276 Wilkinson Street, Shreveport, Louisiana.

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KEEP THE RECORD STRAIGHT

Lest those who are not familiar with our Baptist history should conclude that because we are celebrating our Centennial Year this year that the organized life of Southern Baptists began just one hundred years ago, it might be well to review a few historical facts.

The first Baptist church within the territory of the Southern Baptist Convention was organized in Charleston, South Carolina, in 1683. In 1751, nearly three-quarters of a century later, the first district association in the South, the Charleston, embracing churches scattered throughout a wide area, was organized. A few years later, in 1758, the Sandy Creek Association in North Carolina was organized, and a half dozen other associations were organized before the close of the eighteenth century.

Then followed the organization of the various state conventions. Here again South Carolina led the way and organized the first in 1821. Then the other states followed in this order: Georgia, 1822; Virginia and Alabama, 1823; North Carolina, 1830; Kentucky, 1832; Missouri, 1835; Maryland and Mississippi, 1836; Arkansas, Louisiana and Texas, 1848; Florida, 1854; Tennessee, 1874; Oklahoma, 1883; New Mexico, 1897; Southern Illinois, 1907; Arizona, 1929; California, 1942.

Our Southern Baptist churches joined with our Northern brethren in the organization of the Triennial Convention in 1814 and co-operated with that body in doing their home and foreign mission work until they withdrew in 1845 to organize their own convention.

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WAC Private Elsie K. Bailey now stationed at Deming, New Mexico, and a member of Sardis Baptist Church, is a graduate in the Army Air Forces Chaplain Transition course. WAC chaplains' assistants act as secretary, receptionist, bookkeeper and often serve as choir director and organist for the army chaplain.

One Hundred and One Centennial Crusade Questions Answered is the title of a pamphlet prepared by Dr. J. E. Dillard. It is what its name suggests. The pamphlet is free for distribution and may be had gratis from Dr. D. A. McCall, Executive Secretary, Baptist Convention Board, Jackson, 105, Miss.

Fire originating from defective wiring slightly damaged a classroom on the second floor of the east wing of Norton Hall, at the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary, Louisville, Ky., on the night of February 22. The fire occurred about 2 a. m., and was discovered by a passing motorist. The fire-proof construction of the building probably saved the entire administration building from destruction.

Rev. Leroy Boland, pastor at Mantee, recently sent a list of service men to be added to the EVERY FAMILY list.

Friendship church, Pike county: Our church has set the third week in March for the Training Union study course and our goal for attendance is 150. In adopting our new budget we have included \$700 for the Cooperative Program which is a \$400 increase over last year. Our offering to the Baptist Hospital was \$50 and we expect to send more later. Last fall the church installed a butane gas system in the pastor's home and also repaired the steps of the church building. For more than two years our people have wanted to buy a grand piano for the church, so when the pastor read a letter in December that several pianos were available, a committee was appointed to investigate. The one our people wanted was priced \$1,495 and the money was raised in two Sundays. Our people are giving of themselves and their money and the Lord is blessing our church.—D. W. Nix, pastor.

A. L. Goodrich, editor of The Baptist Record, supplied for West Laurel church on Sunday, February 25. The auditorium was well filled for both services. Even without a pastor there have been 15 additions since January first, 11 of them for baptism. Rev. T. J. Rushing of Collierville, Tenn., has been called as pastor. He has not yet made known his decision. It should be received in time for next week's issue.

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DR. MCCALL TO CONDUCT REVIVAL AT SUMRALL

Sumrall Baptists and Dr. T. W. Talkington, pastor, are asking prayers for the revival to begin at Sumrall Sunday, March 11. Dr. D. A. McCall is to do the preaching and Rev. Joe Hudson, of Bassfield, is to lead the music. "Bro. Joe" is a splendid pastor but is also a good leader of church music.

Dr. McCall led Sumrall Baptists in a gracious meeting last year. This time he is to bring his moving picture machine and give the congregations the benefit of his missionary travels, in addition to his great gospel messages.

Associational Missionary Rev. R. C. Woodham is to come the week before the meeting and lead in the study of soul-winning. A religious census is being taken.

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During the first month of the Centennial Crusade we had baptismal services every week at Temple church, Ruston, La. We had a total of 24 additions and our gifts to outside causes amounted to \$2,440.—Charles L. McKay, pastor.

The following have been recent visitors to The Baptist Record office: Rev. and Mrs. B. L. McKee, Gallman; Rev. John C. Busby, Jackson; Rev. Joe T. Odle, Crystal Springs; J. A. Travis, Clinton; Rev. C. S. Thomas, Jackson; Rev. C. L. Boland, Mantee; Hugh W. Hodge, Biloxi; Rev. James B. Parker, Ripley; Rev. G. W. Smith, Harpersville; Rev. C. L. Boland, Mantee; Hug W. Shankle, Clinton; Bill Stagner, Clinton.

During the week of February 4, Virgil Ratcliff, pastor at Lumberton, preached in a real revival meeting at Oloh church, Marion Association. Pastor V. W. Malley led the singing. There were twelve professions of faith. One was added by letter. This meeting was held during some of the worst weather of the winter, yet people attended in large numbers.

The Baptist Record is glad to welcome Macedonia church of Lebanon Association, W. L. Yeatman, pastor, on the growing list of Baptist Record churches. Included in the list were the names of 16 service men.

Homer E. Sally of Pickens was one of the sixteen new students recently enrolled at the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary.

SUNDAY SCHOOL AND B. T. U. ATTENDANCE February 25, 1945

	SS	BTU
Daniel, Hinds county	124	55
Griffith Memorial, Jackson	661	301
Friendship, Pike county	122	125
Calvary, Jackson	1,006	264
First, Jackson	1,055	320
First, New Albany	434	130
Watts Memorial, Pascagoula	240	129
Cross Roads, Webster county	64	
Bethlehem, Jones county	58	34
Ackerman		40
Parkway, Jackson	564	165
Houlka, Chickasaw county	69	43
Wallerville	69	41
Fifth Ave., Hattiesburg	356	132
Rocky Creek, George county	64	49
East McComb	271	143
Crystal Springs	464	129
Agricola	73	62
Glenfield, Union county	42	33
Bassfield	68	39
First, Brookhaven	555	129
Enon, Panola county	82	80
Goodyear, Picayune	107	75
Bowmar Ave., Vicksburg	207	148
Summit		144
Duck Hill	47	39

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MRS. E. T. GREEN

Mrs. E. T. (Ada Prince) Green was born at Hazlehurst, Miss., May 11, 1866, and passed away at the home of her daughter, Mrs. J. C. Stevens, in Clarksdale, Miss., January 23, 1945. On Christmas Day of 1884 she was married to Mr. E. T. Green, and she proved to him and to the home a Christmas gift indeed. Five children, three daughters and two sons, have grown to womanhood and manhood, and their lives are reflecting the frugality, integrity and Christian influence of this good couple. She was a help-mate indeed to her husband, a mother, tactful and devoted to her children, a friend, sympathetic and appreciative, to a large circle of acquaintances and a happy, trustful, active child of her heavenly Father.

Her husband preceded her by several years and now their bodies rest side by side in the cemetery of old White Oak Baptist Church in Copiah county, the church in whose membership she lived so many happy useful years.

The host of friends extend their sympathy to the three living sisters, five children, thirteen grandchildren and three great-grandchildren and commend them to the God who made her the wife, mother, sister, friend and Christian whose memory we cherish.

BRYAN SIMMONS.